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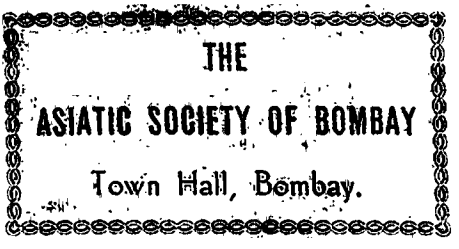

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PREFACE.

CHARLES ROBERT WILSON died in England on the 24th July, 1904. At the time of his death he had in an advanced state of preparation the second part of the second volume of the *Early Annals of the English in Bengal.* This second part, dealing with the Surman Embassy, has been completed and published (1911) with a preface by that distinguished scholar, the late Mr. William Irvine. There had also been printed off the whole of a third volume of the *Annals*, with the exception of the Introduction which had not been commenced, and the Index which remained to be compiled. There had also been printed off the first thirty-two pages of a fourth volume, and some sixty-two pages of this volume are extant in clean proof form. In regard to the almost complete Volume III, the feeling expressed by Mr. Irvine as to the Part II of Volume II has, ever since I knew of the existence of the printed sheets, been my own in regard to Volume III: "the fruit of great labour and strenuous research ought to be made available for those interested in the subject." The Government of India has most generously placed the sheets in my hands, and I feel certain that all students will be glad to have the present volume made available for their study, although, of course, it cannot be all that Dr. Wilson, had he lived, would have made it.

Dr. Wilson's Introductions were more than introductions. They were beautifully written narrative histories, and were based on much wider sources of information than those reproduced in his text. My personal feeling is that we needed to have the letters to and from Bengal and the Court before we

had the Consultations given us in either summaries or in extenso. The conclusion of Dr. Wilson's *Annals* will leave a gap in the history of the English in Bengal, for we have at present no published work dealing with the years between 1722 and 1756. It is my feeling, however, that the student who undertakes to deal with that gap would best be left free to deal with the subject on his own lines rather than those of Dr. Wilson.

To Mr. William Foster, C.I.E., I am indebted for the portrait of Governor Feake; to Miss L. M. Anstey for the portrait of John Stackhouse and for information concerning the Feake Family; to Mr. J. P. E. Falconer for the portrait of his ancestor, Thomas Falconer.

In the first volume of the *Annals*, Dr. Wilson gave the current English spelling of such names as Delhi and Agra. In the present volume he writes Dihlī and Āgrah. He is indeed not quite consistent, as will be seen in the Index. Personally I regret the change.

I would like to conclude this preface with an expression of my own deep gratitude to its distinguished author. I enjoyed for several years the great privilege of his friendship—an association based on a taste for the studies in which he was a master and hallowed by that love of holy things which is so prominent a feature in all Charles Wilson's work. In the days when I edited the *Indian Church Quarterly Review*, Dr. Wilson was one of my most ready supporters, and the memory, not only of the aid liberally afforded to me in historical research, but in matters of religion, in which we two found ourselves united in devotion to the old paths, has made the present endeavour to rescue a part of the *Annals* a work of pride and affection.

ST. JOHN'S HOUSE,
CALCUTTA,
August 7th, 1917.

WALTER K. FIRMINGER.

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INTRODUCTION.

1. Samuel Feake becomes Governor.

Between the hours of six and seven of the evening of Saturday, December 28th, 1717, the Honourable Robert Hedges, Esq., President and Governor of Fort William in Bengal, departed this life. On the 12th January, 1718, the Honourable Samuel Feake, Esq., lately Chief at Cossimbazar, took his place at the Council Board, and "accordingly the Commission and keys of the Fort were handed to him.[1]" The new Governor, at the time of accession to the chair, was not more than thirty-five years of age and he had spent nearly half his life in the country, having arrived in Bengal on the 26th May, 1700.[2]

In the year 1707, William Bugden and Samuel Feake, under an escort from the Dīwān, had gone to Cossimbazar to obtain, if possible, a sanad for free trade at the cost of Rs. 25,000 sicca rupees.[3] On April the 3rd, the news of Aurangzeb's death reached Calcutta[4], and "the whole town and factory being thrown into confusion," the Company, to secure their settlement from attack by the neighbouring zamindars, ordered that sixty black soldiers be taken into the Company's service, and posted round the town. Bugden and Feake were bidden "to come down at once, and bring all the Company's treasure they have, also the rupees provided for the payment of the sanad."

The late Mr. W. Irvine has told us that Mir Ja'far (Murshid Qulī Khān) was removed from the office of Dīwān of Bengal, and was not re-appointed to Bengal until the 2nd Muharram 1122 H. (March 2nd, 1710) after the assassination of Zia-ullah-Khān.[5] In May 1715, Governor

[1] Wilson: *Annals*, Vol. II, Pt. I, p. 303.

[2] *Ibid.*, p. 205.

[3] *Annals*, Vol. I, Nos. 187, 189, 192.

[4] *Ibid.*, No. 197. The Council took advantage of the interregnum when "no one is likely to take notice of what we are doing," and added two waterside bastions to the Fort, *Ibid.*, Nos. 202, 204.

[5] *Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society*, 1897, pp. 181-82. In 1704, according to the *Ma'āsir-i 'Ālamgīrī*, Ja'far Khān was Subahdar of Orissa and Dīwān to Prince Muhammad 'Azīm. Wilson, *Old Fort William in Bengal*, Vol. I, p. 49. Stewart. *History of Bengal.* (Edn. 1847), p. 231.

Hedges resolved to come to close quarters with the Diwān, and to resettle the Factory at Cossimbazar. On the 23rd May, we read :—

> "Mr. Addams Second in Council whose right itt is to be Chief at Cossimbazar being proposed Declares He is fully resolved to return to England by one of the next ships dispatched hence And requests that Mr. Samuel Feake, now third, in Councill here (to whom he gives up his right to that Station), may in his stead be appointed Chief of Cossimbazar, which Mr. Feake accepting of itt is Unanimously Agreed that Mr. Samuel Feake be appointed Chief of Cossimbazar Factory."[1]

The story of Feake's endeavours at Cossimbazar is traced by Dr. Wilson in the Introduction to Part I of Vol. II of the *Annals*, and we will not attempt to repeat what has been said. It is enough to notice that Feake, when he took up the office of Governor, had obtained a very considerate knowledge of the ways of the Nawab Mir Ja'far (Murshid Qulī Khān.)

From the inscription on Samuel Feake's monument in Henham Church, Essex, we learn that his wife was "Anne, daughter and heir of John Hampton of Hampden of Fort St. George, Madras (relict of Captain Thomas Newland)." According to the inscription, this lady died on board the *Devonshire* East Indiaman on her passage to England, 10th May, 1723, aged 34. If the age given is correct, she must have been born about the year 1689. Thomas Feake, the son of Samuel Feake and Anne, his wife, was baptised on 4th June, 1714. In the year following another son, Charles, was baptised on November 1st. In 1717, 3rd July, a daughter, Anne, was baptised. There appear to be no extant Baptismal Registers for Calcutta after the entry of the baptism of Anne Feake until February 1721. On 24th September, 1721, another Feake girl, Mary, was baptised. The Burial Register shows the name of "Nathaniel, son of ye Hon'ble Samuel Feake, Governor Infant," against 14th September, 1722. According to the inscription there were two sons of the name of Thomas, one whom the inscription says "died in India, aged 6 months," and the other "Thomas Feake, Esq., Chief of Dacca in the East Indies, 7th October, 1751."

The period of Feake's governorship lasted till January 17th, 1723, when he was succeeded by John Deane. The present volume, therefore,

[1] *Annals*, Vol. II, No. 220.

contains the Consultations for all but the last year of his administration. The venture of the re-opening of the Patna factory, the firm hand displayed by the stopping of Indian shipping in the river when the Faujdar at Cossimbazar proved troublesome, and the quick steps taken in regard to the misdoings of the Patna factors all seem to show that Governor Feake was a man of energy and decision of character. If it be suggested that he failed to make the best use of the advantages won by Surman's Mission, it must be remembered that the Court of Directors showed themselves unfavourable to the acquisition of territorial possessions. They grudged "the necessary charge of soldiers to protect them from or keep off insults," and, as the cost each year in the deaths of escorts sent up to Patna is proved by the burial registers to have been heavy, we cannot blame the Directors for wishing to avoid "long marches to defend our bounds." Henry Frankland, while in England in 1720, pleaded the great advantage of possessing the 38 towns, and the Directors felt inclined to have "such of them as lye on or within about two miles of the bank of the river," and a dock on the other side of the river, where "the river is not rapid there," was in their opinion desirable, but they cautiously added that this was "not to be publickly hinted at lest it alarm the Government."[1]

The return of the Surman Embassy from the Mughal Court had formed a triumphant ending to the life work of Robert Hedges. The story of the embassy has been told by Dr. Wilson and his Editor in the Second Part of Volume II of the *Early Annals of the English in Bengal.* Thanks largely to the services of Surgeon William Hamilton, the Embassy had succeeded in securing from the Emperor Farrukhsīyar nearly all their requests. They were granted freedom of trade in return for the yearly *peshkāsh* of three thousand rupees: their purchase of zamindari rights in the three towns was confirmed: they were to be permitted to purchase similar rights in thirty-eight other towns: their Madras rupees were exempted from discount: they were to have forty bigas of land "in any place where they may have a mind to settle factories," and the faujdars were forbidden to seize the cargo of wrecked ships or exact a "quarter part of salvage." The farmān was discreetly silent as to a free use of the Murshidabad Mint. "Most of these favours proved to be nugatory

[1] General letter from the Court to Bengal, April 26, 1721. Wilson, *Old Fort William in Bengal,* Vol. I, pp. 109-10. In this reluctance to accept "territory" the Directors were only repeating frequent expressions of opinion.

for with the scowling countenance of the Dīwān at Murshidabad over him what native would dare to sell zamindari rights? But if the immediate gains effected by the Surman Embassy were almost nil, there is much truth in Dr. Wilson's words: "In Bengal it placed the local government [the Nawab's] technically in the wrong so long as the farmān and the orders of the Emperor were disregarded, and it consequently furnished the English with a standing quarrel which they might take up any time. This they at last did after the catastrophe of the Black Hole, and the withholding of the rights won by Surman were put forward by Lord Clive, when he broke with Siraj-ud-daulah, and entered upon the conquest of the country. The soldier completed, and more than completed, what the ambassador began."[1]

2. General Survey of Political History 1719-20.

It is now necessary to say something about the relation of the proceedings recorded in the present volume to the contemporaneous history of Indian Empire. In the Introduction to Part II, Vol. II of the *Annals*, Dr. Wilson has described the circumstances in which Farrukhsīyar was placed on the throne by the two Sayyad brothers, 'Abdullah-Khān and Hussain 'Ali, the weak though in some ways not an attractive character of the ill-fated Emperor, his failure (on orthodox Mughal principles) to rid himself of his far too powerful patrons, and his utterly futile patronage of their mortal foes. The story of Farrukhsīyar's miserable ending—his capture, his torture, and his death—has been told in full detail by the late Mr. William Irvine in the article on "The Later Mughals" in the *Journal of the Asiatic Society of Bengal* (1904). Blinded and unable by reason of his polluted state to continue reciting from memory the Quran, which he knew by heart, the dethroned Emperor wrote the lines:—

A heart is mad with wine, give it wine,
It is consumed with fire, give it fire.
To him who asks the state of my heart,
Breathe out a sigh, give but that as reply.

On the 27th or 28th of April, 1719, the Ex-Emperor was, after a fierce struggle, strangled in his prison, the executioners, to make sure of their work, having stabbed his inanimate body. Thus perished one to whom when a boy, the son of the English-loving Prince 'Azīmu-sh-shān,

[1] *Annals*, Vol. II, Pt. II, p. viii.

the English Factors had sent gifts of toys, and in whom,[1] when Emperor, they had based considerable expectations.

Farrukhsīyar, on his downfall, had been succeeded on the Peacock-throne by a consumptive youth, who was proclaimed under the style and titles of Abū, I-barakāt, Sulṭān Shams-ud-dīn, Muḥammad, Rafī'u-d-darajat, Bādshāh, Ghazi. The health of the new Emperor had been also undermined by his cult of the opium drug, and so, early in June 1719, he besought the Sayyads, who had kept him entirely under their control, to allow him to abdicate in favour of his elder brother, Rafī'u-d-daulah. The miserable lad was sent back to the harem; on the 6th of June he breathed his last. The elder brother was proclaimed as Shāh-jahān Sānī, or the second Shāh Jahān, but he remained a mere puppet in the hands of the two great king-makers. The attempt to give up that opium habit which had hastened his brother's death, seems to have been fatal in Rafī'u-d-daulah's case: he died in camp at Bidyāpur on the 17th or 18th September, 1719. To these short-lived Emperors succeeded Prince Roshan Akhtar, a grandson of the Emperor Bāhādur Shāh: he assumed the title of Abu-l-Fath, Nāṣir-ud-dīn, Muḥammad Shāh, Bādshāh Ghazi, and reigned until the year 1748.

In May 1719 an attempt had been formed at Agrah to set up a rival Emperor. The person selected for this idea was Prince Nekūsiyar, the eldest surviving son of Prince Muḥammad Akbar, the fourth son of the Emperor 'Alamgir. On August 19th the Agrah Fort surrendered, and the pretender was sent off to join the other captive princes at Salīmgarh, where he died in March 1723.

In these years the drama of Mughal history moves with extraordinary rapidity. On the 8th October, 1720, the Sayyad, Husain 'Ali Khān, was assassinated. His brother, 'Abdullah Khān, thereupon, marched on Delhi, and Prince Ibrahīm, a brother of the two short-lived Emperors, was brought out of prison and set up as a rival to Muḥammad Shāh. On the 13th of November the battle of Hasanpur was fought, and 'Abdullah Khān defeated and taken captive. The capture of Prince Ibrahīm followed in due course. On October 11th, 1722, 'Abdullah Khān died of poison in his prison.[2] It is he whom Surman has described as "the good vizier," and the late Mr. Irvine has described him as "remarkable for

[1] 'Azīmu-sh-shān was the second son of the Emperor Bāhādur Shāh. For his defeat and death see *Annals*, Vol. II, Pt. I, pp. xxv-xxvi.

[2] The dates given here are those assigned by Mr. Irvine (*J. A. S. B.* November, 1908), and not those by Wilson. *See* below p. 295 footnote.

forbearance, patience, and extreme humanity." Both of the Sayyad brothers, writes Mr Irvine, were "friendly to the poor and non-oppressive in disposition," but Husain 'Ali Khān was, in contrast to his brother, passionate and vainglorious. Brave as soldiers, they were in the acts of intrigue unable to contend with the genius in that line of Nizām-l-Mulk, the veritable author of their downfall.

3. Re-establishment of the Patna Factory.

In their letter of the 2nd of February, 1713, the Court of Directors had given orders that the Factory at Patna was to be abolished, but it was not until January, 1715, Edward Pattle[1] was able to withdraw. In the present volume we shall read of the re-establishment of the Patna Factory, and the sad fate in which two old servants of the Company were involved by their misconduct of the Factory's affairs. The success of the Surman Embassy stimulated the English to attempt to obtain facilities for their trade from the new Subahdar of Bihar, Khān Zamān Bāhādur, great reliance being placed on the Imperial farmān. The post of Chief at Patna was successfully claimed by Mr. Samuel Browne[2] who had arrived in India, with already the rank of a Junior Merchant, on the 17th August, 1710. Hugh Barker, who as second, accompanied Browne to Patna, had arrived as a writer precisely one year later.

The papers here printed show how dangerous the voyage to Patna was as the time: the death registers to be consulted at St. John's Vestry are even more eloquent. Browne, however, prospered on his journey, "having met with great civility from Government all the way up, without any expense except a trifling present to the Phowsdar of Mungeer[3] for assisting his boats to pass that Fort."[4] On their arrival the Factors took possession of the "ground granted to us by the Kings Royal Phirmaund." They visited the Subahdar, who received them with great civility, and stated in open *dīwān* that he "had forgiven the English the usual yearly Pishcash, and they might buy and sell and go on with their business without the least molestation." At the same time, however, it had to be admitted that the "Subah expects a handsome present yearly as in the time of Agent Charnock."[5] From Patna the Factors are able to dispatch the latest news of the Mughal Court.

[1] Edward Pattle arrived 31st October, 1692: died of consumption, when 3rd of Council, 1st March, 1715.

[2] Perhaps a son of Surgeon Samuel Browne of Madras, for whom see Davidson Love: *Vestiges of Old Madras.*

[3] Monghyr. [4] No. 1205. [5] No. 1207.

On June 25th, 1719, the Council, being ordered to reduce their number to seven,[1] recalled Browne, and appointed Edward Stephenson Chief of Patna, with Thomas Falconer as second. The journey of the newly appointed Factors was an adventurous one,[2] but they arrived at Patna on the 29th of August.[3] The reason given by the Council for Browne's recall had evidently been a diplomatic one. On November the 28th we get a first hint as to "the ill management of Messrs. Browne and Barker,"[4] but on 8th December the Council say that they had "covered our real reasons for the removing Mr. Samuel Browne, in regard we were unwilling to slur or sully their reputations, before we had certain proofs of their dishonesty, or that they had the opportunity of endeavouring in person to defend themselves against the several charges laid to them."[5] The Council's complaint against the Factors is revealed in No. 1369, and it is not necessary in this place to enter into the details. The story is evidently a bad one. How pathetic is the account of the sale of Browne's personal effects. On 2nd August, 1720, the Register records the burial of Mr. Samuel Merchant. On the 11th Catherine Browne[6] writes to the Governor: "I shall wholly surrender and give up for the use his Creditors. My low circumstances disabling me to clear any of his Debts, I do hereby sequester (being ignorant of the Law forme in these cases) everything."[7] On September the 10th the Council ordered that everything belonging to the poor lady "except her wearing apparrell be disposed of and the produce divided among her creditors."[8]

To return to Patna—Messrs. Stephenson and Falconer were having no happy time in the position from which Browne and Barker had been removed. The farmān was held to be of no account, as it emanated from the Sayyads, "who kept the King prisoner." In No. 1456 there is reference made to a "new road," a mystery which remains for solution. On 14th July, 1720, the Council resolve to "write to Patna and severely check them for their credulousness and showing themselves terrifyed at any rumour that flyes through the Country."[9] On 26th September, 1720,

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[1] No. 1301. [2] No. 1330. [3] No. 1336. [4] No. 1367. [5] No. 1369.

[6] The Marriage Register against 5th October, 1717, "Mr. Saml. Browne and Catherine Thourogood." Among the passengers on the *Cardigan* in 1717 was "Mrs. Catherine Thourogood by order of the Court of 12th December." Wilson: *Annals*, Vol. II, Pt. I, p. 343, § 5. Browne had previously, 1st March, 1713, married Mrs. Deborah Taylor. *Ibid.*, p. 108. This lady was buried 21st September, 1714.

[7] No. 1481. [8] No. 1495. [9] No. 1457.

Stephenson and Falconer are promoted to be " of Councill at this Board," but " it being necessary for one of them to return hither," Falconer is recalled to Calcutta.[1]

We notice that on the 5th January, 1721, " the Great Williamson " died,[2] and Mr. John Stackhouse succeeds to the "vacancey at this Board." Williamson bequeathed to Falconer the sum of five thousand pounds sterling.[3] Mr. John Stackhouse on 25th February, 1732, is to become President and Governor and Commander-in-Chief for the United Company, but he is to experience the bitterness of Samuel Broyne's fate.[4]

4. The Hughli Factory.

There has been much controversy in the past as to the precise nature of the transaction which was effected in the year 1698 between the Company and the Savana Majumdars whom the English regarded as " the Jimmidars " of the three towns which constitute historical Calcutta. It is, however, perfectly clear that, although the "nishaan" of 'Azīmu-sh-shān cannot now be traced, the Prince conceded to the Factors the right to purchase from the persons, rightly or wrongly described as " Jimmidars, " the three towns of Calcutta, Sutanuti, and Govindpur, on the condition that they paid " the same rent to the King as the Jimmidars successively have done." As a matter of fact the three towns were part and parcel of the personal Jāgīr of the Subahdar of Bengal, whose *haveli* in the 24-Parganas was wisely placed, not at Hughli, but Havelishāh—a locality we can fix in our minds as we pass the Havelishah Railway Station on the East Bengal State Railway, between Barrackpur and Naihati. The *'bai'nāmah*, or deed of purchase from the Majumdārs, dated November 9th, 1698, is preserved at the British Museum.[5] In the records we shall find the payments of rent due on the Subahdar Ja'far Khān's Jāgīr, and the student of a later period of Anglo-Indian history will notice how these ancient facts about the Subahdar's Jāgīr enable us to understand the matter of the Jagīr bestowed on Lord Clive.

[1] No. 1511. [2] No. 1566. [3] No. 1567.

[4] Stackhouse was involved by the misdoings of his banyan, and was dismissed. In 1734 he sent his wife and family home. In January 1741, it is recorded " Mr. Stackhouse's debt is wholly paid :" on 28th September of that year his burial is recorded. His daughter Ann married Benjamin Walker of Southgate, Middlesex. The Stackhouses are well known in the history of the Society of Friends.

[5] *See* Firminger. Introduction to Messrs. Cambray & Co.'s Reprint of the *Fifth Report of 1812*, p. lxviii. Wilson: *Old Fort William in Bengal*. Vol. I, pp. 38, 40—41. A. K. Ray: *Short History of Calcutta*, pp. 10 : 22.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH IN 1754.

King's Library Maps and Drawings. British Mus um $\frac{CXV}{469}$.

The truculence of the Mughal officers at Hughli is an outstanding feature in the history of the times. Even some seven months after Plassey had been fought and won by the English, the Naib Faujdar at Hughli placed a guard round the Company's factory, and threatened to cut down the English colours.[1]

So far back as the 20th April, 1713, it had been determined that as repairs to the old house at Hughli were likely to cost more than it was worth, and as "it will be impossible to secure it from being washt away by the river," the Company "be at no further charge about it."[2] The records given in the present volume attest the building of a new factory and the construction of a new road, but, apart from troubles with Ja'far Khān's officers, we have little or no light thrown on the subject of the Hughli Factory.

5. Ballasor Factory.

At Ballasor[3] we find first of all as Chief or Resident Edward Page, who is succeeded on his promotion by Harry Clare, who again is succeeded by Cole. We find as Nawab at Cuttack Shuja-'u-din Muhammad Khān, a son-in-law of Ja'far Khān. On the latter's death in 1729, Sujah Cawn, as the English called him, succeeded to the government of the three provinces of Bengal, Bihar, and Orissa. We are not told the name of the son of the Nawab of Cuttack, who as Faujdar at Ballasor, caused so much trouble. It may, perhaps, have been the future Subahdar of Bengal, Sarfarāz Khān, who was defeated and slain in battle with Alī-virdi Khān, on the 29th April, 1740.

6. Calcutta.

The present volume throws very little light on the history of the development of the town of Calcutta. Feake, during his time at Cossimbazar had gained credit with the Court of Directors by building a wharf "to prevent the River's encroaching further on the ground and washing away the Factory." This had only cost the Company two hundred and fifty rupees, as "by making convenient stairs for the

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[1] Long: *Selections from the Unpublished Records of the Government of India.* No. 335.

[2] *Annals*, Vol. II, Pt. I, p. 114.

[3] Dr. Wilson gives three different spellings of this name. It is said to be a conception of Baneswar, and to be derived from a temple in the town dedicated to Mahadeo Baneswar, *i.e.*, "Siva, the Lord of the Forest." Mention is made in the present volume of "Ballasor timbers."

Gentues to wash themselves, he prevailed on the merchants to contribute near the whole charge of it." Governor Hedges had provided a new dock at Fort William, but in the matter of expense the Directors complain that Hedges was "overseen."[1] We hear of new roads in course of construction in the year 1720.[2]

The references to the Charity School are of special interest since the early history of that institution has been obscured by legends which attribute its origin either to Richard Bourchier or Amirchand, or to compensation received from the Nawab of Murshidabad for the damage done in the seige of 1756.[3] In the present volume we shall find legacies bequeathed for the purpose of providing a Charity School, but it would seem that it was not till 1729 anything was done to place the school on a permanent financial basis.[4]

The only Bengal Chaplain mentioned in the present volume is the Rev. Joshua Tomlinson. For two and-a-half years following the death of Briercliffe, in August 1717, Bengal had been without a Resident Chaplain. Tomlinson, who for several years had been Chaplain at St. Helena, arrived at Calcutta on the 23rd January, 1720 (new style), and died on the 30th May following. St. Anne's then remained without an incumbent until the 27th March, 1722, when the Rev. Joseph Paget arrived and assumed the pastoral charge.[5] In the absence of a clergyman, Mr. Richard Harvey, Surgeon, acted as lay-reader, and received a gratuity from the Company for his labours. In 1718-19, Mr. H. Frankland was Church Warden: in 1720 William Spencer, and in 1721 John Stackhouse.

7. Personal Notices.

As to some of the persons mentioned in the present work, I have ventured to add a few notices in an appendix to this volume. Of the

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[1] Wilson: *Old Fort William in Bengal*, Vol. I, p. 110.

[2] Bengal to the Court, Dec. 1721: "The reason for making the new roads to Govindpore to bring inhabitants thither this in time will increase the revenues by these roads can see into the neighbouring Jamidars countrey who attacked them two years ago since and March better to support the out guards if insulted by him but he is very humble since, the place is now made healthyer by the Works free Passage to the town the inhabitants at the charge of all." *Op. Cit.*, Vol. 1, p. 111.

[3] See Hyde: *Parochial Annals of Bengal*, pp. 90-92.

[4] Wilson: *Op. Cit.*, Vol. I, p. 128.

[5] His tomb is to be found in the Dacca burial ground.

Company's servants may be mentioned as in years to come rising to the position of President and Governor.—

John Deane.
Henry Frankland.
Edward Stephenson.
John Deane (2nd time).
John Stackhouse.
Thomas Braddyll.
John Forster.

For the career of Henry Frankland the reader may be referred to a biographical sketch by Dr. C. R. Wilson which has been reprinted in *Bengal Past and Present* Vol. In the *Journal of the Asiatic Society* of *Bengal*, Vol. LXVII, Part I, No. 1898, will be found a biographical notice of Edward Stephenson, "An unrecorded Governor of Fort William," by the same writer. Frankland died in Calcutta on the 23rd August, 1728, and Stephenson held office for little more than a single day having assumed office on the 17th September, and being superseded on the 18th by John Deane, who from 1723 to 1726 had been Governor, and now returned from England with a commission to resume his authority. It was to Stephenson, Orme resorted for information for the second volume of his history. The following inscription is cut in stone on the Church floor of Crosthwaite Parish Church :—

Edward Stephenson, Esquire,
late Governor of Bengal
Obt. September 7th, 1768.
Ætat 77.

It may be noted that the Burial Registers [1] show against the dates given below the deaths or burials of the following persons who are mentioned in the present volume :—

1722	April 21st	John Eyre of Council.
	„ 28th	Henry Cross, Ensign.
	Sept. 21st	Captain George Biggins.
1723	Feb. 4th	Elizabeth, ye wife of Mr. John Stackhouse.
	Mar. 21st	Captain Henry Dallibar.
1724	April 16th	Mr. William Bowridge, Junior Merchant (Charnock's grandson).

[1] *Bengal Past and Present*, Vol. X.

1724	May 13th	Captain Theophilus Gammon.
	Aug. 9th	Mr. Robert Turner, Factor.
	„ 28th	Mr. John Surman of Council in Bengal.
	Sept. 13th	Mr. Nathl. Hall, Factor (died at Dacca).
	Nov.	Benjamin Corbet, Surgeon at Cossimbazar.
1725	March 17th	Harry More, Under Zamindar.
	May 14th	Mr. Peter Markland, Factor.
	Aug. 2nd	John Cassels, Pilot.
1727	Jan. 7th	Mr. William Tipping, Senior Merchant.
	May 5th	John Forester, Factor.
	Sept. 18th	Mr. Christopher Birkhead. Senior Merchant.
1728	Jan. 16th	Mrs. Eliz. Pomfret.[1]
	March 17th	Mrs. Martha Eyre.
	April 30th	Mrs. Avarina Cooke.[2]
	July 20th	Mr. Thomas Hawks, Inhabitant.
	Aug. 23rd	The Hon'ble Henry Frankland, Esq., Governor of Fort William.
1729	Jan. 10th	Captain George Borlase.
	April 26th	Mr. Wm. Haskoll, Senior Merchant.[3]
1731	June 21st	Mr. John Dix, Senior Merchant.
1732	Jan. 2nd	Major Richard Hunt.[4]
	Dec. 21st	Mr. John Sainsbury Lloyd, Merchant.
1733	March 28th	Mr. John Bonkett in Council.
1734	Nov. 23rd	Mr. Matthew Wesley, Inhabitant.
1735	March 15th	Mr. John Oldmixon, Senior Merchant.
1736	Nov. 10th	Mr. Thomas Coales in Council.
1738	June 25th	Mr. Joseph Townsend, Inhabitant.
1739	Oct. 2nd	Captain John Jones.
1741	Sept. 28th	John Stackhouse, Esq.
1743	Dec. 2nd	Mrs. Mary Coales, Inhabitant.
	„ 5th	Mrs. Ann Gee.

[1] Elizabeth Fisher married (1) Richard Bass, 6th November, 1716. (2) Edward Pomfret, Feb. 5th, 1725.

[2] Avarinha Child married Thomas Cook on 1st September, 1716.

[3] Married 26th April, 1726, Mrs. Mary Trobrydg., who, on 13th November, 1728, married Samuel Harrison.

[4] Married Mrs. Mary Cassels, 5th August, 1725. The lady's first husband was Paul Graton, 1st Nov., 1734, she married Capt. Andrew Shepperd, and on 21st December, 1742, Mr. Jas. Meredith.

1744	Dec. 19th	Francis Vannes, Inhabitant.
1745	Sept. 29th	Thomas Joshua Moore, Esq., in Council.[1]
1746	Jan. 28th	Edward Pomfret, Esq., in Council.
1750	Sept. 19th	Mr. Zachariah Gee, Merchant.
1753	Aug. 2nd	Mrs. Elizabeth Bowridge.

The Marriage Registers for Calcutta during the years 1713-54 have been published in Vol. IX of *Bengal Past and Present*, and the Burial Registers 1713-1755, omitting name of private soldiers and seamen, in Vol. X of the same publication. It should be noticed that "Mrs." in those old records does not of necessity imply that the lady to whom the prefix is given was a married woman, it being at the time customary to place that prefix before the name of any woman of station.

WALTER K. FIRMINGER.

[1] Moore married, on 15th April, 1723, Mrs. Anne Cooke.

BENGAL PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

From the 14th January 1714 to the 8th December 1718.

1079.—CONSIDERATION OF A PETITION FROM JOHN SURMAN.

Tuesday[1] January 28th. 1717-18.

Mr Surman having deliver'd in a Petition wherein he desires to lay down the Companys Service and Liberty to take his Passage on the Cardigan, We judge it highly requisite to have some Consultations Extraordinary to Consider thereof before We can give him any Answer, Seeing We have in the 62nd parª of Our Generall Letter by the Hannover dated the 3rd Ultimo wrote that as soon after Mr Surmans &c. Arrivall with us as Leisure permitted which could not be till all the Companys Ships were dispatcht We wou'd examine every part of their Accounts with all possible Care, for which purpose We being mett at this Time have sent for the Books deliver'd in by them now under Examination Which are to be brought before us at every meeting upon this Affair. The Instructions and severall papers We have brought likewise before us and read over also severall paragraphs Viz. 44 and 45 in the Generall Letter from the Court of Directors dated the 18th January 1716 to which the 62nd parª abovementioned was an Answer to And Coja Surhaud [Khwājah Sarhād] having in a Letter dated the [blank] Charged Mr. Surman with severall Allegations while he was at Dilly, We sent for him and acquainted him therewith requiring his Answer to Each in Order as recited in said Letter Which he promised to do in a Day or Two, We also acquainted him that there were severall Articles of Expences in his Account which would require some further Consideration so coud not yet give him any answer to his petition.

1080.—LETTER FROM KHWĀJAH SARHĀD.

Tuesday January 28th.

Translate of a Letter from Cojah Surhaud [Khwājah Sarhād] to the Honble Robert Hedges Esq. &cª Councill, After the usuall, Compliments of the Persian Tongue he says Viz.

[1] In 1718 the moon was new on January 21. January 25 was Śrī Panchami.

I wrote you last the 9th of Zithidge [Ẓū-l-ḥijjah][1] in perticular
Durbar [*darbār*] Affairs which without doubt you have received
The Copy whereof I here enclose, The present State of Affaires
9th Do at Night Sudder Saddool [*ṣadru-ṣ-ṣadūr*] spoke to the K
our Affaires but to little purpose, His Majesty holding this opinio
Phirmaun [*farmān*] be sent to all Ports, To which the Sudder
answerd that if it was sent, the Way to Mecca would be stopt,
the Sea and Sea Ports woud be ruin'd And they are very great
Worthy of Favour, The King Reply'd let the Phirmauns [*far*
to Jaffercaun [Ja'far Khān] and Hyder Coolicaun [Ḥaidar Qul
if They Certainly know that a Quarrell will ensue, then to wa
Favour what is that. I Ordered that their Doctor shoud sta
woud make him Two or Three Thousand Munsub [*manṣab*] and
kind to him. They woud not hear but took him with them an
They woud not please me so much. The Sudder [*ṣadru-ṣ-ṣadūr*
King say this, thought fitt not to present my petition least it sho
granted. So that He must Seal the Phirmauns [*farmāns*] and so
At present tis the Time of Rejoycing so no Bussiness to be don
it is over, in two or three days I shall Petition. Also the 9th
Vizier sent my Petition, He has wrote in his own that Co
[Khwājah Sarhād] the English Factor has been with him and ga
which comes herewith, That They are great Merchants, The Su
Ports and worthy of Favour and have always had Esteem, I am i
Petition will be granted. I went the 11th into the Duan Aam
and paid my Respects to the Vizier, he told me he had sent in
I said I was in hopes he woud be so kind as to speak to the
Face to Face; He answerd depend on It, and so went in and w
with his Majesty, I also gave 2 other Azzys [*'arẓis*] to Boguechund
to give him within, He shew'd them the Vizier and said I ha
in already, keep These till That comes out. The 14th in the Jes
Zandee Caun [Ẓiyāu-d-Dīn Khān] spoak to Enaitulla Caun ['Ināy
concerning our Affaires and seemed discomposed that all the
should receive such Turnes, These Orders ought to have past m
I know nothing of Them, with what Sense did They give at Fir
Alter what given and thereby disturb the Traffick of the Ports and
a great Occasion of Trouble, I certainly will speak to the King
likewise before spoke to Hadgee Salla [Ḥaji Sāleh] the Mecca-A
sent him to Enaitulla Caun ['Ināyatullah Khān] so he had hear

[1] The 9th Ẓu-l-ḥijjah 1129 H. was Sunday, the 3rd November 1717 A.D. (O.

[2] He was made *mutaṣaddī* or Governor of Bandar Sūrat in December
accidentally burnt to death at Dihlī in April 1726.

[3] The head clerk of the *khālisah*. He died in March 1737.

[4] This was the *jashan* or festival for the 'Idu-ṣ-ṣuḥā which is mentioned b
mad in his *Tazkirah* as having begun on the 14th Ẓū-l-ḥijjah 1129 H., that is N
the illuminations went on until the 20th of the month, that is November 14.

[5] He had been appointed *diwan-i-khālisah* in April 1717. He died in
aged 75. For his biography see *Ma'āṣiru-l-umarā'* II, 828.

The 30th I went to the Viziers, Zaudee Caun [Ẓiyāu-d-Dīn Khān] was present Who spoke very Strenuously in Our behalf, The Vizier said Caun [Khān] I swear by your Head I have sent in the Petition, Zaudee Caun [Ẓiyāu d-Dīn Khān] farther said tis true you have sent in the Petition, but the Phirmauns [*farmāns*] that are going to be Sealed and dispatcht will certainly create a Quarrell. The Vizier answered as soon as the Jeshun [*jashan*] is over I will accomodate this business. The 3 Caundoran [Khān Daurān][1] said I will see Zaudee Caun [Ẓiyāu-d-Dīn] and Consult him, Zaudee Caun [Ẓiyāu-d-Dīn Khān] went 2 or 3 Times but it being the time of Jeshun [*jashan*] I can't get them together to Consult and whenever I speak he answers in Shalla [*inshā allah*][2] after the Jeshun [*jashan*] and then I shall get them together without doubt. The 1st of Zithidge [Ẓū-l-hijjah] Caundora [Khān Daurān] wrote to Hyder Cooly Caun [Ḥaidar Qulī Khān] by Two Conveyances Concerning the Affairs of Bengall and Surat so far as relates to us to be answered in 22 days, The people are not returned but dayly expected. I have so managed Ray Creperam [Rāe Kirpā Rām] that if Hyder Cooly Caun [Ḥaidar Qulī Khān] writes against us, that It shall be alter'd, He also having wrote to Suratt as he ought in our favour, So I expect he will return as favourable an Answer. What can I write of the Blunder[Per] Syed Sallabat Caun [Sayyad Ṣalābat Khān] who is neither fish nor flesh, Who has eat 60 or 70 Thousand Rupees of the Companys and yet in this Case woud never Speak once to Caundora [Khān Daurān] but when he meets me, says I have received a Letter from Mr Surman what Answer can I give, I answer what you see write, as for me I use my Endeavours, To which he says tis well, He spoak once to Caundora [Khān Daurān] something displeasing since when He dares not Speak again. God protect Cuttubullmulluck [Quṭbu-l-mulk], Zaudee Caun [Ẓiyāu-d-Dīn Khān], Enaitulla Caun ['Ināyatullah Khān], Durbar Caun [Darbār Khān], Sudder Saddool [*ṣadru-ṣ-ṣadūr*], Boguechund [*Bhogchand*], Ray Kirperam [Rāe Kirpā Rām] &c. Muttsuddys [*mutaṣaddis*] Who are always ready to serve the Company, I hope in God to Effect all. The Generall wrote from Bombay to Mr Surman to Stay at Court till all the Phirmauns [*farmāns*] had past. Mr Surman in Answer wrote Viz. I have Effected all my business by the Kings Favour, now Enaitulla Caun ['Ināyatullāh Khan] is Duan [*dīwān*], The Case was Altered, do You [use] their Endeavours to make all pass at the Port as well as you can, that no News reach the Court, This Folly he was Guilty of to get away and so ruined the Companys Affairs You shall see by the Grace of God that Enaitulla Caun ['Ināyatullah Khān] shall accomplish every thing, Mr Surmans whole designe to get away was to go to England, I suppose the Season now serves and he A going, whilst I am forced to stay on his Account The sum of 22,000 rupees I spent for the Companys Service, He quarrelled about it and woud not pay me, I am in hopes your Honr &c^{a} by some meanes

[1] The favourite noble and evil genius of Farrukhsīyar. He posed as a great friend of the English.

[2] Please God.

will gett it from him, He had another design to quarrell with m
was to leave me here, Tell You a fine Story and so March off, S
not then present to answer him, I am now to stay here so y
knows. His Services are such as to draw Bills on you for 4 Lacs
Rupees, Where tis expended I shall come and acquaint you, fling down
ness and goe away, My Services are Such, That I have not receiv'd a
I spent 22,000 Rupees whilst Mr Surman was here and not received
am spending 30,000 rupees more and do the Companys Service I
how much I was in want, all I had I have Spent and flung in the d
3 per Cent. Interest to the Merchants per Mensem, I beg on rece
will send 20,000 rupees and 30,000 Rupees Letters of Creditt on th
here that I may get clear from this Place and be with you, If Y
shall use my Endeavours, but it will be 10 or 15 thousand Rupees
Company. I drew a Bill on you for 6,000 Rupees payable to Ag
Jān], without doubt You have paid it, if you have not, pray do it out of
It is now 3 years and have not Noted any of the Company's Expences in th
time in hopes to do it Viva Voce Now Mr Surman is going I a
advise Mr Barker kept the Diary, In that Diary observe 7,00
Scarlett Broad Cloth Loaden on Camells account Caundoran [Khān
will find it if not pray ask what This is, as also 7,000 Rupees
Cuttbullmulluck [Quṭbu-l-mulk] You will also ask how many thou
were receiv'd from Syed Sallabat Caun [Sayyad Ṣalābat Khān] W
it for Mr Surman that is a going. Look before he goes, I give
Item at present, the Rest I shall tell you on our Meeting.

1081.—JOHN SURMAN'S PETITION.

To the Honble Samuell Feake, Esqr Governor of Fort Wil
President for Affairs of the Honble C
January 28th. 1 17-18. Merchants of England Trading to the
&c. Councill.

HONOURED SIR AND SIRS,

I have for some Time had a strenuous desire of Seeing my Native Country
but still waited with patience Till It shou'd Please God I had finished th
Affair Your Honour &cª had sett me about I think I may no
a secrett Satisfaction that all is over, and having duely delive
Accounts and Papers relating to the Negotiation I desire Lea
England and that Your Honour &cª will please to give an Or
Henry Glegg Commander of Ship Cardigan to receive me on board.

There are many reasons why I should not remain any Long
having bore a Character so Superiour to the Post I retain in the
panys Service but at present I shall only mention one Viz. Tha
continue the Mark [mask ?] and by going Home prevent the Cou
from attaining to the true knowledge of my Station which They
ought to be acquainted with.

The Trouble and Fatigue that I have undergone will seem now as pleasures; if what I have acted in this Affair meet but with your Honour &c^ns Approbation, If I have acquitted my Self as a good Servant I must begg of your Honour &c^a an Honourable Discharge and likewise a Recommendation to my Honb^le Masters at Home which is the Request of

Honb^le Sir and Sirs

Your most Obedient Humble Servant,

Jno Surman.

FORT WILLIAM,
Jan^ry 28th 1717-18.

1082.—FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF SURMAN'S PETITION.

Thursday January 30th. P. M.

We being mett to consider further of M^r. Surmans Petition deliver'd into Consultation the 28th Inst. He now laid before us his Answer to Cojah Surhauds [Khwājah Sarhād's] Letter which was read and Order'd to be entred after this Consultation.

AGREED—That We adjourn the further Consideration thereof.

There appearing due to Mr John Surman Rupees 5,899-12-6 the ballance of the Books delivered in by him &c^a in the Negotiation at the Mogulls Court.

Mr. Surman paid Rs. 5,899-12-6.

AGREED—That the President pay the same.

1083.—REPLY TO SARHĀD FROM SURMAN AND STEPHENSON.

January 30th.

Mr. Surman &c^as Answer to Cojah Surhauds Letter.

TO THE HONB^le SAMUELL FEAKE ESQ^r &c^a

Honb^le Sir and Sirs,

We were in hopes we shoud not have any farther occasion of troubling your Hon^r &c^a with Repetitions of pro and con in relation to Cojah Surhaud [Khwājah Sarhād]. Nay its certain we have acquitted our Selves in giving a perticular Account of his strange behaviour and laid his Villianies open to publick View by Two Letters apart for that Purpose. It is not unlikely but he may have had some small Notice thereof, and so by way of Returne Endeavour to palliate his own Offences by attacking us with Misbehaviour. This tis very probable has occasioned the writing of the Late Letter to your Honour &c^a which pursuant to your Hon^r Orders now lies before us to answer.

The Peice It Self is from the beginning to the Ending a Series of incoherence and Nonsence and like the Writer thro'ly false, but however to answer it We must bring it into a smaller Compass by dividing it into Parts. The First is a strange perplexed Account of Durbar [*darbār*] Affairs, The Second accuses John Surman for Leaving Dilly contrary to the Advice of Governor Boone, Thirdly, he gives himself the Liberty of hinting as if dishonest meanes had been

used in relation of presents as 7,000 Rs. in Scarlett Broad Cl
Caundora [Khān Daurān] and 7,000 Rs. D° to the Vizier with a
receiving money from Syud Sallabatt Caun [Syyad Ṣalābat Khān]
an Item what more he can discover on meeting with your Hono
give an Account how All the money has been expended.

We find our Selves very ready to answer these Slights for man
just Reasons but shall mention only Two The impartiality of our
the justness of our Cause before whom and by which we only desire to
We have upon severall occasions desired that our behaviour in the
might be nicely examind into and that of Seerhauds [Sarhād's]
reward on the Plauditt your Honour &c^{a} must give us in your just
but not to trouble your Honour &c^{a} further we proceed to answer i
above stated.

We have in severall of our Former inlarged on the Reasons
[Sarhād's] staying at Court and therein proved it was entirely for his
Concerns To gain a Phirmaun [*farmān*] from the King to be his
to go to Europe to buy Rarietys and thereby Gain a Bulwork against his
tors. The seeming inconstancy of the Court he now makes a Ple
Honb^{le} Masters Interest kept him there not his own and acc
you an Account of the Durbar [*darbār*] and his transactions with a
had an Order for it, and so would lay the whole Charge of his Sta
our Honb^{le} Masters His Prosecution of his own Affairs since
plainly proves We had a right Notion of his designs So the p
invalid and of no use and We humbly Conceive that the Accou
Court ought to be regarded as from an infected person Who wo
Honb^{le} Masters into farther unnecessary Expences. His desir
Sum as 50,000 Rs. is unaccountable and nothing can answer for
unbounded Assurance.

The Story he tells your Hon^{r} &c. of Govr Boones desire
here till he had made the Phirmauns [*farmāns*] Curr^{t} in Su
Answer thereto given is in some Measure true It was a private
Surman from Govr Boone but he did not think proper to answ
out consulting as a publick Affair and what was wrote in return w
and approved of at Our board and of which your Honour &c. has
Account in our Consultations besides which We had full Orde
Honour &c. Who were our Employers to leave the Court as soon
possibly finish our Affair And to this Time our Reason convinced us
right in leaving the Court and that it would have been much
Masters Honour and Interest had Seerhaud [Sarhād] done so lik
in our opinion sufficiently confutes this his second Slurr and sti
reason to prove his Stay there was upon his own Account by the rea
now, which He could not have when we left him. We have very
to believe the Notion was instill'd into Govr Boone by Seerha
himself that if possible We coud be brought to Consent to his St
might supply him with money.

Thirdly, We are pretty well acquainted with Seerhaud [Sarhād] yet We cannot but be Something surprized with his unaccountable peice of Impudence. We appeal to your Honour &c^{a} to overlook our behaviour from the beginning to the End, when It will be found how we have sacrificed our own Interests to prevent even the risquing that of our Honb^{le} Masters Could we have been brought into Seerhauds [Sarhād's] Villainous Intentions There would have been no Impeachment, whereas his Accusation is a certain Sign We never did, His Temptations from time to Time our Diary, Consultations and Letters largely mention and to which We must refer What he intimates of Mr Barkers Notations your Honour &c. has and will have before you, The Vackiels [*vakils*] had a design to be Nibbling at the Presents on pretence of Custome to receive so much per Cent but were baulked which made us cautious to see every thing of a large Value deliverd before us as we did all to the Vizier, Caundora [Khān Daurān] Tuckerubcaun [Taqarrub Khān][1] &c^{a} Great Ministers and We never went without Seerhaud (Sarhād) in our Company.

The Closing the Letter is as Rediculous as the rest of it and still serves to show your Honour &c. the Man He woud be doing of Mischeif but having exhausted his Stock of Lies, he pretends to raise a Jealousie of what he is able to say farther Had he any good Grounds at all to attack us without doubt your Honour &c. woud have long since heard of it. As for the Expence of the Negotiation the Presents made and bribes applied, We never had any Private Methods, Seerhaud [Sarhād] is Witness to Them all and nothing was ever done of that Nature without his Consent as will appear in our Consultation Book where Mr Barker has duely signed for him He is Villain enough We believe to say or deny any Thing but We are Satisfied that can have no Effect since there is so good a proof as he upon the Spott.

This Letter seems to us as if design'd to arrive after the departure of John Surman for England if possible to lessen his Repute with your Hon^{r} &c^{a} Without having an Opportunity to Clear himself We humbly Conceive that the Behaviour of Seerhaud (Sarhād) from the beginning to the End of this Negotiation has been of very pernicious Consequence and not having attain'd his Ends at all, He now grows desperate so what he alledges should be taken as from an Outlaw or a Mad man We shall conclude referring all to the Judgment of your Honour &c^{a}.

We are

Honb^{le} Sir and Sirs

Your most obed^{t} humble Servants

Jno Surman

Edwd Stephenson

FORT WILLIAM;
Jan^{ry} 30th 1717-18.

[1] He was appointed *khānsāmān* or Lord High Steward by Farrukhsiyar, but died of consumption in 1716 A.D.

1084.—CODICIL PROVED TO CAPTAIN RYAN'S WILL.

A Codicill to the Last Will and Testament of Capt. Anth[illegible]
February 3rd. deceas'd late Commander of the S[t] G[illegible] now brought in by M[r] James Willi[illegible] of the Trustees and the Wittnesses M[r] Thomas Falconer an[illegible] Victor Shaw sworn.

Copy of Codicill.

Know all Men by these presents that I Anthony Ryan Comman[illegible] S[t] George do in case of my Mortallity in the East Indies, hereby [illegible] Constitute and appoint my well beloved Freinds M[r] James Wi[illegible] Bengall Merchant and Captain Henry Glegg Commander of Ship Ca[illegible] Trustees empowering them to receive collect and recover all Effects [illegible] due to me and after payment of my Funeral Charges and All just Debts h[illegible] remitt the same to England invested in proper Goods on the bottom of Ship S[illegible] George, excepting an Adventure of Canes in Which I am Concern'd to Captain Glegg to my Dearly Beloved Wife M[rs] Elizabeth Ryan where the produce is to be disposed of as my Will left in England directs In Wittness whereof I [illegible] my Hand and Seal to this Codicill of my last Will and Testamen[illegible] Calcutta this thirteenth day of January 1717-18.

Signed Sealed and Delivered Ant[o] Ryan

(where no stampt paper is to be had)
in the presence of us.
Thomas Falconer
Victor Shaw

Thomas Falconer and Victor Shaw Wittnesses to this Codicill [illegible] last Will and Testament of Captain Anthony Ryan deceas[illegible] Commander of the Ship S[t] George appearing before Us the [illegible] and Councill in Bengall for Affaires of the Honb[le] United Compan[illegible] of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies in the Consultation Room at Fort William the 3rd Feb[ry] 1717-18, and being sworne on the Holy Evangelists declare upon Oath that they saw the Testator sign seal and declare this to be his last Act and Deed they al[illegible] that he was at that Time in his perfect Sences but in an ill bodily health.

1085.—WAGES OF THE PEON AT RÀJMAHÀL.

Moireltee [Murli] the Peon who we are obliged to keep at R[illegible]
Monday
February 3rd. [Rājmahāl] to maintain the Comp[as] T[illegible] possession to their house last receiv'd his W[illegible] to the last of August 1716, and nothing since.

AGREED that the President pay him from the 1st of August to the 1st of this month.

1086.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR JANUARY, 1718.

February 3rd.

Abstract of CAPTAIN HENRY DALLABARS

Muster Rolls.

2	Lieutenants[1] ...	... 70
1	Ensigne[2] ...	... 24
1	Gent. at Armes[3] ...	... 20
1	Marshall ...	... 20
4	Serjeants ...	... 80
6	Corporalls ...	... 78
5	Drummers ...	... 62
48	Europeans ...	... 480
2	Rounders ...	... 12
38	Portugueze ...	... 190
108	men.	Rup. 1,036

On command at Cossimbuzar.

5 Europeans.

113 men.

Abstract of CAPTAIN RICHD. HUNT'S

Muster Rolls.

2	Lieutenants[4] ...	... 70
1	Ensigne[5] ...	... 24
6	Serjeants ...	... 120
6	Corporalls ...	... 78
5	Drummers ...	... 65
55	Europeans ...	... 550
2	Rounders ...	... 12
29	Portugueze ...	... 145
106	men.	Rup. 1,064

On command at Cossimbuzar.

1 Serjeant.
1 Corporall.
4 Europeans.
1 Portugueze.

113 men.

1087.—CONSULTATION EXTRAORDINARY CONCERNING JOHN SURMAN.

February 3rd, P.M.

Being now met according to Order of Consultation of the 30th Ultimo We judge it requisite to come to some determination concerning Mr John Surmans Request delivered the 28th Ultimo and We having maturely considerd the purport of Coja Surhauds [Khwājah Sarhād's] Letter and Mr Surmans Answer thereunto, by which Answer and our own Judgement We find nothing of Substance or any Cause of Accusation on him Whom Coja Surhaud [Khwājah Sarhād] supposed must have been departed for England before his Letter could reach this Board by which meanes he was in hopes to wipe off the Severall Impeachments the

[1] Captain Henry Dallibar and Captain George Borlase as in the muster roll for June, 1715, § 929. Borlase was reappointed Lieutenant on April 7, 1715, Dallibar had commanded a company since 1713. See Vol. II, Pt. 1, § 743.

[2] Ensign Theo. Gammon. In the muster rolls for June 1715, § 929, Gammon is shown in Hunt's company, but from what follows later in July 1718 it must be supposed that he changed companies.

[3] John Wyndham, appointed ensign April 7, 1715, § 913, appointed Gentleman at Arms, December 20, 1715, § 954.

[4] Captain Richard Hunt and Captain Nicholas Rowe. The latter was probably made Lieutenant in April or May 1716, § 980.

[5] Ensign John Goodwin. He was made an ensign, June 25th, 1716. It seems that he was at first assigned to Dallibar's company, but afterwards changed. See the notices of him in the Consultations of the 2nd and 7th July 1718.

Gentlemen when at Court have alledged against him and s… gotten his own extravagant Expences passed which were not … him by them.

Their Generall Books brought in 20th Ultimo and Account … pences and other Charges having lain ever since that time for … and been brought upon this Board severall times, the Acco… reports They have been carefully examined and adjusted w… Generall Books that as yet is found no Error or Mistake ex… Journall Page 22, where They Dr Calcutta Account Current fo… not receiv'd which were invoiced to them, the perticulars whe… Viz.—

Quilts 10	280
Arrack 2½ Leaguers	180
Factors Provisions 3 Chests Sweetmeats	150
House Necessaries 175 China Dishes	124 4
Rupees ...	73[illegible]

And to rectify the Same in case any should happen to have bee… seen We sent for Mr Edward Stephenson Who had the keeping … and seen all Affairs as being of Council to acquaint him that in … Mistake Overcharge or false Entry made of Presents &c. he … responsible to which he gave Reply he was ready to answer an… in any Account whatever that should be found after Mr S… departure, Upon all which mature Considerations and no p… Allegation against Mr John Surman, it was proposed wh… should have Liberty to go home on the *Cardigan* or no, Upon … Dispute arising the Presidt put it to the vote, Consent or not … to his going home, the Majority have agreed that he have Liber… take his Passage on the Cardigan Accordingly Mr Surman w… in and acquainted with said Resolution. Those Gentlemen Wh… dissented against this Enter their dissent after this Consultatio…

Jo Deane.	Saml Feake.
Hen. Frankland.	J. Williamson.
Wm Spencer.	Edwd Page.
W. Collett.	S. Browne.

We have Sign'd to this Consultation in conformity with a S… Order where a Majority Agree.

S. Browne.
Wm Spencer.
W. Collett.

1088.—NOTE OF DISSENT.

February 3rd, P.M.

Mr John Surman &c. in the Negotiation at the Mogulls Court arriving here late in the Season and just in the hurry of our business when we were getting every thing ready for dispatching our Honble Masters Ships We have not had time to examine into every Article of their Accounts distinctly as We are Orderd to do by the Honble Court of Directors in their Generall Letter to us receiv'd this Year and Mr Surman having desir'd to go for England by the *Cardigan*, it is Our Opinion that he ought to stay till all their Acts are throughly examin'd and adjusted, as he has been the Cheif of that Affair, before he leaves this Place as We have hitherto had only a Slight View of their Accounts for want of more Time, The first Thing that is obvious to our Sight is their Charges Extraordinary for Cloathes given in by every one of them apart, none of which being entred in their Monthly Acts before but now brought in at once We think ought not to be allowed of or passed till We know the Honble Court of Directors pleasure therein, because we shall not be willing to refund in proportion to our Sallary and allowances what may be thought extravagant or superfluously expended as They are pleased to tell us they expect from every one of us in their last Generall Letter.

Dated in Fort William the 3rd of Febry 1717-18.

S. Browne.
Wm Spencer.
W. Collett.

1089.—FREIGHT TO COMPLETE THE TONNAGE OF THE *BOUVERIE*.

Tuesday, February 4th.

It being late in the Season of the Year and no possibility of getting any more Freight for the *Bouverie* than We have already procured about 515 Bales which with her Kintillage is not Sufficient to load her Captain Wotton being present, we have maturely considered it is most proper to fill her up with that will turn to best advantage and Agreed That We compleat her Tonnage with Turmerick Gurrahs [*gāṛhās*][1] and Gunnys [*goṇis*][2] which is most likely to turn to good Account.

[1] Coarse thick Indian muslin.

[2] Coarse sacking made from the fibre of jute.

1090.—ZAMÍNDÁRI ACCOUNT FOR OCTOBER 1717.

Thursday, February 6th.

Mr Henry Frankland Jemendar [*zamīndār*] now brought in the Account Revenues for the month of October, the Gross Amount whereof is Rupees 3775-9-6 as per particulars, Viz.—

	R.	A.	P.
Gain on Cowries [*kauṛīs*]...	90	15	6
Duty on Grain	134	5	6
Mangon [*mangan*][1]	335	10	3
Molldarree [*māldārī*][2]	4	2	0
Weighers	141	7	0
Fish &c.	127	5	6
Mattor [*mathauṭ*] on Fish	2	1	6
Wood	9	12	6
Potts	1	2	0
Caulkers	36	4	6
Bannians [*banyans*]	6	8	6
Brammins [*Brahmans*]	2	5	0
Ferry boates	7	4	6
Hoggs	1	1	6
Cotten beaters	0	14	9
Coolys [*qulīs*]	11	7	6
Sale of houses	162	2	9
Sallammee [*salāmī*][3] of Pottahs [*paṭṭas*] ...	151	6	6
Recovering debts	26	9	0
Peons fees	79	15	3
Marriages	4	2	9
Fines	242	14	3
Bang [*bhang*]	68	7	6
Sale of Slaves	9	14	6
Things sold at Outcry amounting	41	8	6
Sale of Ground &c.	160	6	6
Sale of old Trees	16	14	6
Butty [*bheṭī*][4]	23	9	6
Laying boates ashore	2	4	0
Suba Buzzar	65	0	6
Making Laack [*lākh*]	18	12	0
The Markett	138	14	6
Delolly [*dallālī*]	2	13	0
Carried over Rupees ...	2128	9	3

1 *Mangan* is explained to be 'duty paid on petty merchandise imported and exported.'

2 *Mūldārī* is 'duty paid by the collectors of *mangan*.'

3 'An acknowledgement paid at taking the *paṭṭas*,' or leases. See § 1750 below.

4 'A duty paid by those who bring rice to Monday bazar.' See § 1750 below.

				R.	A.	P.
Brought over Rupees			...	2128	9	8
Conjee [*kānji*]	...	...	...	0	9	3
Begum Buzzar	...	...	...	27	13	9
Jean Buzzar	...	...	...	22	4	6
Carriage of Cows	...	...	...	59	2	3
Catwallee [*kotwāli*]	...	...	...	54	7	9
Settling Accounts	...	...	...	70	0	0
Ground Rent due from last year		...	...	2	13	6
Gusoram [*guzrān*][1]	...	...	...	215	6	6
Ground rent	...	...	...	1194	6	9
				3775	9	6
Deduct for charges		...	...	343	7	0
Rupees		...	...	3432	2	6

1691.—ANSWER OF THE MAJORITY TO THE NOTE OF DISSENT.

Thursday, February 6th.

Messrs. Browne, Spencer and Collett having in Consultation the 3rd Instant entred Their dissent against Mr John Surmans going for Europe We Judge it requisite to give the following Answer. The Arrivall of the Gentlemen from Court here being late in the Season and when the dispatch of our Ships drew nigh was not any fault or occasioned by them, Mr Surman &cª taking their departure from his Imperiall Majestys Court as soon as Leave or Orders for their Journey were given and tho' It happened in such a Time of the Year that few expected they would proceed quite thro' their Journey, The Rains being sett in, which most People judged would unavoidably have caused a Remain at Ellabass [Allahabad] Bonnerrass [Benares] or some other place which woud have occasioned a much larger Expence by reason Their Travelling Charges would not have been Ended so soon by a Considerable Time But to Their Commendation may It be spoken They continued Their Journey through the Worst of Roads and when the Greatest Rains fell.

As for not having Time to examine every Article of their Accounts Its not Mr Surman &cªs fault that they have not been strictly inquired into They having been sent down Monthly in a Regular Form and Method ever since Their Departure from Patna and They Themselves arrived in November which is now near three months since,

[1] This term is explained in § 1711. It means 'a duty paid by lodgers who pay no ground rent.' Follows the *guzran*, livelihood.

A Time sufficient to have lookt into every Article in their Books. The greatest and only Obstacle They alledge is the Extraordinary Expences of Cloaths which not being entred in their Monthly Accounts when brought is judged not allowable or ought not to be passed till the Honb^le Court of Directors are acquainted therewith, These Extraordinary Charges are not laid before us to be passed any otherwise than as the whole Expence and present of the Negotiation is, this Expence was passed in a Consultation held by those who were appointed to Negotiate and did act all along in this Grand Affair the 14th Decr where They give Their Reasons for Charging These unavoidable Expences.

The detaining Mr Surman against his Inclinations either by force or otherwise Till We can hear from the Court of Directors is not what Our Honb^le Masters We presume ever designed or Order'd since no just Cause or Article of Misdemeanour has been laid against him nor do We conceive any Prejudice or Detriment can arise to the Honb^le Company by permitting him to take his Passage on Ship *Cardigan*, The Books and Transactions of every single Action being sent home (coppys of which Mr Surman has with him) for the Hon'b^le Court of Directors to examine and in case there is any Thing wrongfully transacted or any Fraud Committed he is there to answer it, his permission to go home not being a discharge.

The Management of this business has not been acted Singly by Mr Surman, if any Crime or Misdemeanor has been committed and any person can discover the Same We have taken effectual Care to have it rectified or repaid by requiring (as per last Consultation on this Affair) of Mr Stephenson to answer for all faults that shall be discoverd.

Our late Governour has been more than once heard to Commend Mr Surman for his Care and Conduct in the Management of this Affair and We cannot without wronging our Conscience but applaud the obtaining so many Phirmauns [*farmāns*] and perticular Favours never granted to any Nation besides by the great Mogull, The benefitt of which We doubt not but will turn to Advantage of the Honb^le East India Company and the Glory of the English Nation in Generall.

SAM^L FRAKE.
J. WILLIAMSON.
EDW^D PAGE.
JN^O DEANE.
HEN. FFRANKLAND.

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1092.—ESTATE OF JAMES TOKEFIELD.

Monday February 10th.

Mr John Deane Buxey now brought in Account Outcry and Account Current of the Estate of Mr James Tokefield deceased, the Ballance whereof is Rupees 1893-15, which He now pays into Cash.

ORDERED That said ballance be brought to his Creditt in the Companys Books.

Dr. *Estate of James Tokefield Deceased.* *Cr.*

To Ballance Capt. Rows Accot paid	88	15	6	By Cash found in his Chest ...	614	5	0
,, Ballance Mr Stackhouse do ...	8	12	9	,, Do recd of Mr Mason the ball. of his Account ...	228	2	3
,, his Funeral Charges	99	6	0	,, Cussullnaut [Kushhal Nāth] Outcry Bannian	8	7	0
,, his 2 Servts. Wages for 1 Month	4	6	0	,, his Sallary recd of the Honble Comp.	21	6	0
,, Cash paid the Lime man ...	0	13	9	,, Cash recd of Mr Clare ...	188	5	0
,, Do the Baker	2	13	0	,, the Amount of his Outcry ...	353	3	0
,, Do for Wages for the Cook and his Mate ...	4	6	0	,, Cash recd of Capt. Juice for the produce of his Advent.	610	8	0
,, Do the Butterman ...	1	10	0	,, Cash recd of Mr Mason for Mr Tokefeilds part of an Adventure on Ship *Oxford*	309	13	9
,, Do the Barber	1	0	0	,, Ballance of Mr Frankland's Account	734	9	0
,, Two Outcry Notes	8	8	0	,, Cash recd for his concern with Mr Falconer in an Adventure on the *Sary* and another on ye *Oxford* ...	253	13	0
,, Cash pd Mr Stackhouse for money taken at respond. on Ship *Falconbridge* Prin: 200 Advance 25 per Cent 50	250	0	0				
,, Cash pd Mr Clare his part of the Adventure on Ship *Falconbridge*	119	8	0				
,, Gopaulseat [Gopāl Seth] ...	218	8	6				
,, Cash pd to Mr Spincks his Note	8	0	0				
,, Cash pd Mr Falconer for 150 r. on Ship *Falconbe* @ 5 p. c. @	157	8	0				
,, Do for 150 r. in a Pte Adventure at 20 per cent Advance	180	0	0				
,, Do pd. Mr Clare for 100 r. in the *Falconbridge*	105	0	0				
,, Do pd Mr Falconer for a pr Stockins	3	3	6				
,, Commn. 5 per Cent on Rup. 3322-8	166	2	0				
,, Ball. pd into Hon. Comp. Cash this day	1893	15	0				
Rupees ...	3322	8	0	Rupees ...	3322	8	0

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Errors excepted
pro JOHN DEANE.

1093.—MISTAKE IN INVOICING CLOTH.

Monday February 10th. On opening a Bale of Broad Cloth N° 530 by Mr Samuell Browne Import Warehouse Keeper which was deliver'd over to him on the Ballance of Mr Edwd Page his Books, which came on the *Derbey* Anno 1715 Invoiced for Aurora,[1] and the Pieces should be Number 1588, 1589, 1590, but proves to be Ordinary Green and are N° 1048, 1049, 1050, upon which He acquainted the Honble President who in Company with Messrs Williamson, Deane and Frankland went and viewed It and found It as he reported We have Examined all the Invoices from Europe back as far as the *Cardigans* Anno 1712-13 and find but one Bale of that Number received per *Grantham* and is Scarlett which remains in the Godown so the Mistake must be made in England.

Agreed That We adjust it in the Generall Books and that We acquaint the Honble Court of Directors therewith.

1094.—DESPATCH OF THE *BOUVERIE*.

Wednesday February 12th. P. M. The Dispatches for the *Bouverie* bound to Persia being ready prepar'd and the Generall Letter to the Worshipfull the Agent and Council at Spahaun [Ispahān], also the Cheif etc. at Gombroon,[2] being sign'd and made up they were deliver'd Captain Wotton this day.

1095.—THE ESTATE OF GOVERNOUR HEDGES.

Saturday February 15th. Mr John Stackhouse and Thomas Coals Trustees to the late President Hedges having paid into Cash this Day Rupees Sixteen Thousand on that Account, Agreed That We advise the Honble Court of Directors thereof that it may be paid to such who have legal Power to receive it in England, there being no demand made here.

1096.—WILLIAMSON TO DISPATCH THE *CARDIGAN* AND BROWNE THE *St GEORGE*.

Sunday February 16th. We now being mett in Consultation in order to dispatch the *Cardigan* and *St George* for Europe the Books and Papers all being ready we made up the packetts and Order'd That Messrs James Williamson and Samuell

[1] Orange or orange-red cloth.

[2] The modern Bandar 'Abbās.

Browne goe down to Coxes[1] to dispatch them, Mr James Williamson to dispatch the *Cardigan* and Mr Samuell Browne to dispatch the St *George*.

1097.—DESPATCH OF THE St *GEORGE*.

Saturday March 1st.

This Day arriv'd Mr Sam^{ll} Browne from Coxes whence he dispatch'd the St *George* the 22nd Ultimo and now delivered the following Papers—

Letter to the Honb^{le} Company.

D^{o} to St Hellena.

Certificate of Cheif and Second mates of the St *George* touching ye loss of 2 boats on which were Goods belonging to the Honb^{le} Company.

Bill of Lading of the St *George*.

Seperate Bill of Lading for Salt Petre.

List of Men on board the St *George*.

Receipts for the Packett and box of books.

1098.—*MARY* BUOYER TO GO TO MADRAS.

Saturday March 1st.

Order'd That the *Mary* Buoyer be immediately fitted and as soon as possible dispatch'd to Madrass with what Salt Petre she can take in and fill'd up with packing Stuff.

1099.—LETTER FROM CAPTAIN WOTTON.

Saturday March 1st.

Tuesday the 25th Ultimo Robt Hill Pylot left the *Bouverie* in 10 fathom water about 3 in the Evening wind at North West Captain Wotton advises of three Bales of Gurrahs [*gāṛhās*] that he return'd they being wett with Salt Water, also the Turmerick which he promises to dry on board and three or four Bundles of Gunnes [*goṇis*] wanting which might be miscounted in their Hurry it being bad weather.

1100.—DEPARTURE OF THE *CARDIGAN*.

Sunday March 2nd.

Richard Deane Pylot arriv'd here the 2nd Inst. from Pylotting out the *Cardigan* which Ship he left in 12 Fathom Water the 25th Ultimo, Wind at North, a Small Gale.

[1] Coxe's Island at Saugor. In old charts what is now the one island of Saugor is shown as three, the Isle of Dogs, Coxe's Island, and Saugor. The name Coxe's or more prope ly Cock's Island is found as late as 1807.

1101.—CHARGES GENERALL FOR JANUARY, 1718.

Charges Generall for the Month of January deliver'd into Consultation the 24th Ulto by Mr John Deane Buxey

Monday March 3rd.

having gen carefully be perus'd and Examin'd amounts to Rupees Fourteen Thousand and forty Six, Ten Annas as per Particulars—

	R.	A.	P.
Charges Generall	1396	7	9
Charges Diett	1490	10	6
Charges Reparations	562	6	0
Pylotts Wages and Seamen in monthly pay ...	1099	0	0
Charges Cattle	240	2	3
Officers' and Soldiers pay for the Mo of January	2100	0	0
The Gunners and Gunroom	531	5	3
Reparations and Petty Charges	168	5	3
Charges Budgrows and Boats	170	6	3
Mary Buoyer	667	4	3
Cossimbazar Sloop	28	3	0
London Sloop	162	7	6
Charles Sloop	51	8	6
Charges Platform	502	7	3
Ryce House	93	7	6
Petty Stores	52	0	0
Ironmongers Ware	591	5	3
Servants Wages in Monthly Pay	814	0	3
Charges oxen	34	7	3
Charges hoggs	26	0	0
Charges Merchandize	531	14	3
Charges on Salt Petre	107	2	0
St Hellena	203	14	6
Durbar [*darbār*] Charges	45	8	0
Factors Provisions	300	0	0
Charges Powder	1150	0	0
Cossimbazar Factory	124	1	3
Timbers and Planks	802	3	3
Rupees	14046	10	0

1102.—THREE GRANTS ENTRUSTED TO PAGE.

Mr Page Copys of 3 Grants deliver'd him.

Order'd That Copys of the following Grants relating to Bengall

Monday March 3rd.

be deliver'd to Mr. Page—

Copy of the Generall Phirmaund [*farmān*] for Bengall.

Copy of the Order for the Mint.

Copy of the Order for the Towns.

1103.—GODOWNS UPON THE STABLES.

Thursday March 6th.[1] There being a Convenient Place wanting wherein the Honble Companys Tents may be lodged dry to prevent their Rotting by the Damps they are liable to in the Ground Chamber where they have hitherto been kept for want of the Air's having a Free Passage thro' it and no other Room can be spared in the Factory, Every one being Inhabited by the Honble Compas Servants who live two and Three together,

AGREED Therefore that Convenient Godowns be built upon the Companys Stables for that Purpose and to keep the Horse Furniture from damaging.

1104.—EYRE NINTH IN THE COUNCIL.

Mr Eyre to take his place as 9th.

March 6th. There having been a Vacancy in Councill for some Time by the Death of the Late Govr Hedges and Mr Surman who was next in Succession being gone for England on the *Cardigan*, Mr John Eyre now at Ballasore is next in Standing.

AGREED That we write him to come up by the first Conveyance to take his Place at this Board.

Mr STEPHENSON TO BE CHIEF AT BALLASORE.

It is unanimously agreed that Mr Edward Stephenson be Resident at Ballasore in his Stead and that Stephen Scott a Writer assist him in the Business of that Residence.

1105.—CHARGE OF THE SURMAN EMBASSY.

Thursday March 13th. The Charge of the Negotiation at the Mogulls Court having been kept under Severall Heads in our Generall Books In order to have the whole Expence for the Future appear at one Veiw.

RESOLV'D that King Furruckseers [Farrukhsīyar's] Royall Phirmaund [*farmān*] be debted for all Expences that have or shall happen on that Account (except Cojah Seerhauds [Sarhād's] Durbar [*darbār*] Royall Account which is to stand on Ballance till Accounts are adjusted with him) and Credited for the Value of the Particulars deliver'd upon the Ballance of ye Books of that Affair by Mr Surman &c.

[1] On March 5 there was total eclipse of the moon, lasting from about 9 to 10-30 P.M.

Cojah Seerhaud [Khwājah Sarhād] r. 734-4 to be charged to his Account.

The following Particulars wrote off to Account Current Calcutta in the Books of the Negotiation of the Mogulls Court which were invoiced to Mr Surman &c[a] but not receiv'd by their Warehouse-keeper being supposed to be Expended by Cojah Seerhaud [Khwājah Sarhād], Viz[t]

		r.	
10 Quilts	...	280	
2⅔ Leagers of Arrack[1]	...	180	
3 Chests of Sweatmeats	...	150	
175 China Dishes	...	124	4
Rupees	...	734	4

Order'd Therefore That his Account be debted for the amount Seven Hundred Thirty Four Rupees Four Annas.

1106.—IMPORT WAREHOUSEKEEPER'S ACCOUNT OF DAMAGED GOODS.

Monday March 17th.

Mr Samuell Browne Importwarehousekeeper now brought before this Board the following account of damaged Goods which are perishing in the Godowns, Viz[t].

Flint Ware smelling Bottles 4 Cases single Bottles 19
Cutlery Ware Pockett Cases 4
Looking Glass from 17 Inches to 42, 24 Glasses
Broadcloth fine in Pieces, 6 Pieces
Broadcloth fine by Retale 13 yds. 4 na
Broadcloth Aurora[2] in Pieces, 13 Pieces
Broadcloth Aurora by Retale 7 yds. 4 na
Broadcloth ordinary in Pieces, 1 Piece
Perpetuannoes[3] fine by Retale 14 yds. 4 na
Perpetuannoes fine in Pieces, 47 Pieces
Perpetuannoes ordinary in Pieces 20 Pieces

[1] That is casks of arrack or country spirits. Compare the term *lager bier*, beer for laying down or keeping in the cask. See *Hobson Jobson*, p. 819.

[2] That is of orange or orange red colour.

[3] A light and glossy twilled stuff of wool commonly exported from England to the East in the 17th and first half of the 18th century.

Buxey [bakhshī] *brought in Acco^t of Sundrys bro^t from Court.*

Mr John Deane Buxey [*bakhshi*] likewise brought in the following Acco^t of what he receiv'd from Mr John Surman &c^a upon the Ballance of their Books of the Negotiation of the Mogulls Court Viz^t House Furniture—Cook room necessarys—Tents—Plate—Old Pallankeens.

ORDER'D That the Importwarehousekeeper and Buxey [*bakhshi*] make an Outcry of said particulars as soon as possible that the Acco^t Sales may be brought in and the am^t paid into Cash before the Honb^le Companys books for this Year are clos'd.

1107.—EYRE IN CHARGE AT HUGLI.

1718
Monday
17th March.

The Foundation of the House Order'd the 9th Septr last to be built in the Ground belonging to the Honb^le Company at Hugly being ready to be laid,

ORDERD That Mr Richard Eyre one of the Companys Servants do go up and remain there to have an Eye over the work and take a daily account of the Charge remitting ye same down hither to the Buxey [*bakhshi*] monthly, and that John Eyloff one of ye Gunroom who has been bred a House Carpenter have the direction of the building.

1108.—LOSS OF THE *MARY* BUOYER.

Thursday
March 20th.[1]

The *Mary* Bouyer who was dispatch'd laden with Salt Petre Wax and Gunneys [*gonīs*] for Madrass return'd back and Anchor'd before this Fort Yesterday Morning having met with blowing weather and proving Leaky as appears by ye Masters and Officers Certificate enterd after this Consultation. We got out Three Hundred sixty Seven baggs of Salt Petre before the Evening when there happened a Violent Storm of Wind from ye N. W. over set her and with the Flood being Spring Tide[1] she drove almost as High as Chuttanutte [Sūtānuṭī] Point where we [are] using our utmost Endeavours to weigh Her, there are Seven Lascars [*lashkarīs*] drown'd and only one European seaman and Three Lascars [*lashkarīs*] escaped by Swimming on Shore on a Hencoop.

[1] The moon was new on March 21.

1109.—GROUND RENT FOR GOVINDPUR.[1]

Monday March 24th.

Retinesser [Ratneśvar] Crowree [*karoṛi*] demanding Sicca Rupees Thirty Three for four Months Ground Rent due in December for the Part of Govindpore [Govindpur] in the Purgunna [*pargana*] of Calcutta,

ORDER'D That the President pay the same.

1110.—SALARIES DUE ON THE 25TH MARCH, 1718.[2]

Thursday March 27th.

Mr James Williamson Accountant now deliver'd into Consultation the Account Sallary due to the Honble Companys Servants from 29th September 1717 to the 25th March 1718 amounting to Rupees Five Thousand one Hundred Thirty five, Eleven annaes, Six Pyce, Vizt

	m.		£.	r.	r.
The Honble Samuell Feake Esqr from 29th Septr to 28th Decr 1717	3	at	40 per ann.	80	
Govt from 20th Decr 1717 to 25th Mar. 1718	3	„	200	400	
Gratuity do	3	„	100	200	680
Robt Hedges Esqr decd Governour from 29th Sept. to 28th Decr 1717 ...	3	„	200	400	
Gratuity do	3	„	100	200	600
The Worshipfull James Williamson Esqr ...	6	„	40		160
Mr Samuell Browne	6	„	40		160
Mr John Deane	6	„	40		160
Mr Henry Frankland	6	„	40		160
Mr William Spencer	6	„	40		160
Mr Waterworth Collett	6	„	40		160
Transported Siccaes					2240

[1] According to the Consultation of May 4, 1714, *English in Bengal* II, 174, rent was due for the three villages as follows

Sūtā nuṭi in Amīrābād ...	Rs. 501-15-3	
Dih Calcutta in Amīrābād ...	Rs. 468-6-6	
		970-8-9
Govindpur in Paikan		210-9-0
Govindpur in Calcutta		100-5-0
Total rent ...		1281-6-9

This rent was paid to the *karoṛi*, i.e. the Collector, or the Government at Hugli, three times a year, and was due on the first day of April, August, and December. The amounts of the instalments vary slightly and the dates when they fell due are often wrongly stated in the Consultations book. The payment here recorded was due December 1, 1717. In 1718 further payments are recorded on April 10 and 24, May 12, August 11 and 18, October 9 and December 8, §§ 1117, 1119, 1128, 1183, 1185, 1210, 1229. Also the payment on January 5, 1719, §1241, was an instalment of the rent for 1718. *Dih* means village or inhabited site.

[2] The list only shows the Company's servants in Calcutta. Edward Page, 3rd in seniority, Edward Crisp, Chas. Hampton, Francis Russell, Samuel Fazakerly and George Mandevile were at Cassimbazar John Eyre, 9th in seniority, was Chief at Balasor.

		m.		£		r.	r.		
		Brought over					2240		
Michaell Cotesworth Junr	Merchant	...	6	at 30	per ann.		120		
Edward Stephenson	do	...	6	„ 30	„		120		
Thos Falconer	do	...	6	„ 30	„		120		
John Stackhouse	do	...	6	„ 30	„	120			
Sub Accountant	...	...	6	„ 40	„	160	280		
Harry Clare, Junr	Merchant	...	6	„ 30	„		120		
Edward Ange	do	...	6	„ 30	„		120		
John Sainsbury Lloyd Factor from 29th Septr to 13th Janr 1717		...	3 4/7	„ 15	„	35 11 6			
Junr Merchant from 13th Jan. to 25th Mar. 1718 ...	...	...	2 3/7	„ 30	„	48 9 0	84	4	6
William Spinkes	Factor ...	...	6	„ 15	„		60		
Thos Bradyll	do ...	...	6	„ 15	„		60		
John Osbaldiston	do ...	...	6	„ 15	„		60		
Hugh Barker	do ...	...	6	„ 15	„		60		
John Dix	do ...	...	6	„ 15	„		60		
Humphrey Cole	do ...	...	6	„ 15	„		60		
Thos Phillips	do ...	...	6	„ 15	„		60		
Edward Reynolds	do ...	...	6	„ 15	„		60		
Baron Jeffs	do ...	...	6	„ 15	„		60		
Philip Mitchell	do ...	...	6	„ 15	„		60		
William Cowley	do ...	...	6	„ 15	„		60		
Oliver Colt	Doctor ...	...	6	„ 36	„		144		
Richard Harvey	do ...	...	6	„ 36	„		144		
William Hamilton do from 29th Sept. to 5th Dec. 1717			2 1/5	„ 36			52	12	9
Thos White,	Writer ...	...	6	„ 5	per ann.		20		
Gabriell Hanger,	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
Thos Coales,	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
Samuell Harwood,	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
Thos Cook,	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
Henry Harnett	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
Richard Eyre	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
William Tipping	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
William Bruce	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
Mathew Wesley	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
Christopher Birkhead	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
John Harris	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
Thos Moore	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
Samuell Greenhill	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
William Haskoll	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
Jacob des Tombe	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
John Oldmixon	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
Stephen Scott	do ...	...	6	„ 5	„		20		
				Sicca Rupees	...		4565	1	3
				Batta 2½ p. c.	...		570	10	3
				Currt. Rupees	...		5135	11	6

AGREED That the President pay the same.

1111.—ZAMÍNDÁRI ACCOUNT FOR JANUARY, 1718.[1]

Thursday, March 27th.

	Rs.	A.	P.
By Gain on Cowries	51	12	0
„ Duty on Grain	168	9	3
„ Mangon [*mangan*]	400	10	3
„ Moldary [*māldārī*]	4	14	3
„ Weighmen	143	6	6
„ Jon Bazar	125	6	9
„ Delolly [*dallālī*] on Fish	2	1	9
„ Wood	6	12	0
„ Potts	1	2	0
„ Caulkers	36	4	6
„ Banians [*banyans*]	6	9	0
„ Bramins [*Brahmans*]	2	6	3
„ Ferry Boat	7	4	6
„ Hoggs	1	4	6
„ Cotton Beaters	0	14	9
„ Cooleys [*qulīs*]	11	7	3
„ Butty [*bheṭi*]	25	15	9
„ Laying Boats ashoar	2	4	0
„ Suba Bazar [Sobhā Bāzār]	69	9	9
„ Vermillion	18	12	0
„ The Markett	228	14	3
„ Delolly [*dallālī*] on cloth	2	13	0
„ Toddy	0	9	6
„ Begum Bazar	25	9	0
„ Jean Bazar [Jān Bāzār]	30	5	3
„ Sale of Houses	111	4	6
„ Sallame [*salāmī*] of Pottaes [*paṭṭas*] ...	96	3	3
„ Recovering debts	31	12	6
„ Peons Fees	140	4	9
„ Marriages	65	3	9
„ Fines	42	11	3
„ Bang [*bhang*]	56	11	6
„ Sale of Slaves	3	4	9
„ Ground Rent	1294	2	0
Rupees ...	3216	13	3
Charges deducted ...	335	7	0
Ballance ...	2881	6	3

AGREED that it pass Errors excepted and be delivered the Accountant the Ballance Two Thousand Eight hundred Eighty one Rupees Six annas Three Pyce being paid into Cash.

[1] Compare the October account, §1090 above.

1112.—LETTER FROM RŪPCHAND AT PATNA.

Thursday March 27th.

The President having received a Letter from Rupchund [Rūpchand] at Patna advising that Surburlun Caun suba [Sarbuland Khān *Ṣūbahdār*] of that place was turned out of that post who was our entire Enemy and refus'd when Mr Surman was at Patna in his return from Court to obey the Kings orders for the House &c^a^ Grants, and Siad Caun Jema Caun [Sayyad Khān Zamān][1] is coming in his Stead to gain whose Friendship we think it advisable the President write an Azurdast [*'arz-dāsht*] or Letter to him to be presented by Roopchund [Rūpchand] congratulating him on his Accession to that dignity and desireing he will please to allow us ye Priviliges his Majesty King Furruckseer [Farrukhsīyar] had granted in his Royall Phirmaund [*farmān*], [and] another Letter to Roopchund [Rūpchand] directing him if he finds this new Suba [*ṣūbahdār*] inclineable to be our Friend that he endeavour to get his Sunnod [*sanad*] that we know on what Terms we can resetle that Factory.

1113.—COPYS OF THE GRANTS TO BE SENT TO RŪPCHAND.

March 27th.[2]

AGREED That attested Copys of the Phirmaund [*farmān*] and Grants for Patna be sent to Roopchund [Rūpchand] and that he be order'd to meet the Suba Caun Jema Caun [*Ṣūbahdār* Khān Zamān Khān] without ye City.

ORDER'D That Five Hundred Siccas be sent him to defray all Charges of this Affair for which he is to account.

1114.—LETTER TO KHĀN ZAMĀN KHĀN.

Dated 2nd Aprill 1718.

The Good News of your being Vested from Court with the Subaship of Beharr has caus'd the Flower of my Hopes to bring forth Fruit thanks be given to Almighty God I congratulate you to the Accession of it And pray God Almighty increase Your Age and Wealth. By Reason of Injustice and Violent oppression we were forc'd to withdraw our Factory from that Place.

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[1] Mr. Irvine says that Khān Zamān Bahādur, governor of Audh, was transferred to Bahār, *vice* Sarbuland Khān, on the 2nd Rabī' I, 1130H., or January 23, 1718. See Kāmwar Khān under that date. He was replaced on the 18th Rabī' I, 1131H., or January 28, 1719, by Niẓāmu-l-mulk ; but the new governor never joined, and was sent to Mālwah instead on the 24th Rabī' II, of the same year, or March 5, 1719. Khān Zamān Bahādur, formerly 'Alī Aṣghar Khān, was the son of Shekh Ghulām Muṣṭafa, Anṣārī, the Mewātī, entitled Kār Ṭalab Khān (1123H.). He died at Dihlī, aged about 70 years, on the 4th Ẓū-l-Ḥijjah 1155H., or January 19, 1743. See *Ma'āṣiru-l-umarā*, I, 829. It was a mistake to style him *Sayyad;* he was a *Shekhzādah*.

[2] March 29 was the Mesha *sankrānti*, the first day of the Hindu solar year.

When the Companys Embassy went to Court they obtain'd a Royall Phirmaund [*farmān*] for the settling of Factorys, Pursuant to which gracious grant I design by your favour to resettle there, But we are Strangers and till Such Time that we have it are uncable [?incapable], Roopchund [Rūpchand] will pay his Respects to you and Supplyant [*sic*] you with what is Further Necessary.

1115.—LETTER TO RŪPCHAND.

To Roopchund Vakile [vakīl] *at Patna.*

We have receiv'd your Letter wherein you advis'd Our writing to Cozzumma Behouder Suba [Khān Zamān Bahādur *Ṣūbahdār*] of Behar and the Duan [*Diwān*] Abdelkadeer Caun ['Abdu-l-Qādir Khān] with the Rough draughts of those Supplicant Letters. We observe the Contents and pursuant to your advice transcribe and Send them We would have you go out a Days Journey to meet them and present the Supplicant Letters: taking 500 Rupees which we have remitted by Bill for the Durbar [*darbār*] Expence. As for the Copys of our Grants, which you requir'd, we had, before the receipt of your Letter, Sent them by Mr Frankland's Conveyance, and are in all Probability by this Time arriv'd with you. We would have you send an Account what you imagine may be the Yearly Durbar [*darbār*] Expence, and How the Nabob is dispos'd towards our settling a Factory. Wether the unjust Peeshcash [*peshkāsh*] laid on by the Government will not be demanded, or the Forbidden impositions Excus'd in the Phirmaund [*farmān*] be observ'd, Upon such Conditions we will settle a Factory and Send an Englishman, otherwise nott.

1116.—BALANCE OF PAUL GRATON'S ESTATE.[1]

Thursday April 10th. There standing in the Honble Companys Books to the Credit of the Estate of Paul Graton deceased Rupees Three thousand on which there is due 12 months Interest from 10th of April 1717 to this day and amounts to Three Hundred Sixty Rupees which Summ was deposited in the Honble [Company's] Cash for the maintainance of his Infant Son Gabriell Graton who is since dead and the Principall and Interest being demanded by John Cassells, The Husband of Mary Cassells, Mother to the said Infant Gabriell Graton who by the death of said Child becomes next Heir as appears by the Codicill of Paull Gratons Will register'd after Consultation of the 14th July 1713.[2]

Agreed That the President pay the same the Bill being first taken up and cancell'd.

[1] Compare Vol. II, Pt. 1, §§ 730, 738, 741 751, 752, 754, 75 756, 764, 842, 843, 914, 1003.

[2] Vol. II, Pt. 1, 756.

1117.—GROUND RENT OF SŪTĀNUṬĪ AND CALCUTTA.[1]

Thursday April 10th.[2]

Sookdeb Crowry [Sukhdeva *karoṛī*] demanding 325 Siccaes for 4 Months Ground Rent due this Month for Chuttanuttee [Sūtānuṭī] and De [*dih*] Calcutta in the Purgunna [*pargana*] of Amaravad [Amīrābād].

AGREED That the President pay the same and give the Collector Two Rupees as usuall.

1118.—JOHN EYRE TAKES HIS SEAT IN COUNCIL.

Thursday April 24th.

Mr John Eyre being arriv'd from Ballasore this morning was now call'd in and took his Place at this board as ninth and last in Councill.

1119.—GROUND RENT FOR GOVINDPUR.

Thursday April 24th.

Rettinisseer [Ratnes'var] Crowrie [*karoṛī*] demanding Thirty three Siccaes for 4 months Ground Rent due this month for that part of Govindpore [Govindpur] in the Purgunna [*pargana*] of Calcutta.

AGREED That the President pay the Same.

1120.—MADRASS LETTER PER *METCHLAPATAM*.

Monday April 28th.

The 25th Instant arriv'd here the Ship *Metchlapatam* from Madrass laden with Red Wood which Ship the Governour and Councill in their Letter to us dated the 8th Aprill by her, desire we will thoroughly repair and return to them laden with Salt Petre Rice Wheat and Wax, in this Letter they also advise they design to keep the *George* Brigantine for the use of their Presidency and have creditted this Factory as we charg'd her to them the 2nd February 1716-17 when she was first offer'd them since which she has gain'd by freight Rupees Nineteen Hundred and two and five anas which we have order'd to be wrote off to the Account of Proffitt and Loss.

ORDER'D That Captain Henry Harnett and Nicholas Pamphilon do go on board the *Metchlapatam* and take a Survey of what work is necessary to be done to her reporting the Same to this board at our next meeting.

1121.—*PESHKASH* TO THE HUGLI GOVERNMENT.

Monday April 28th.

The Hugly Government demanding the Yearly Pishcash [*peshkash*] of Three Thousand Siccas due the last of Aprill.

AGREED That the President pay the Same.

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[1] See further payments on April 24th and May 12th, §§ 1119, 1128.

[2] Easter Sunday was April 13. The moon was new on April 20.

1122.—LICENCE, TONNAGE, AND PASS MONEY.

Monday April 28th. Mr William Spencer Secretary now brought in the account of Licence Tonnage and Pass Money for the year 1717 amounting to Rupees Two thousand and eight Hundred Seventy four, Vizt—

				r.	r.	r.
November	Ship *Joseph*—Tonnage	...	...	50		
	Pass Money	...	...	10		
				—	60	
	Brigantine *Mary Leonora*—Tonnage		...	40		
	Pass Money		...	10		
				—	50	
	Brigantine *Elizabeth*—Tonnage		...	40		
	Pass Money		...	10		
				—	50	
	Sloop *Rising Sun*—Tonnage	...	...	15		
	Pass Money		...	10		
				—	25	
	Ship *Hallifax*—Tonnage	...	...	40		
	Pass Money	...	...	10		
				—	50	
	Ship *Otter*—Tonnage	...	...	40		
	Pass Money	...	...	10		
				—	50	
	Ship *London*—Tonnage	...	...	150		
	Pass Money	...	...	10		
				—	160	
Aprill ...	Sloop *Hanover*—Tonnage	...	...	15		
	Pass Money		...	10		
				—	25	
	Ship *Antilope*—Tonnage	...	...	50		
	Pass Money	...	...	10		
				—	60	
	Ship *Sampson*—Tonnage	...	...	150		
	Pass Money	...	...	10		
				—	160	
	Ship *Falconbridge*—Tonnage	...	...	50		
	Pass Money		...	10		
				—	60	
	Ship *Severn*—Tonnage	...	...	150		
	Pass Money	...	...	10		
				—	160	
	Sloop *Good Hope*—Tonnage	...	...	10		
	Pass Money		...	10		
				—	20	
	Carried over		...		...	930

		r.	r.	r.
	Brought forward ...			930
Aprill ...	Ship *Oxford*—Tonnage	150		
	Pass Money	10		
			— 160	
	Ship *Dolbin*—Tonnage	150		
	Pass Money	10		
			— 160	
	Ship *George*—Tonnage	150		
	Pass Money	10		
			— 160	
	Ship *Amity*—Tonnage	70		
	Pass Money	10		
			— 80	
	Ship *Elizabeth*—Tonnage		... 150	
	Ship *Ann*—Tonnage		... 140	
	Ship *Ballasore*—Tonnage	60		
	Pass Money	10		
			— 70	
	Ship *Joseph*—Pass Money		... 10	
	Ship *Sarah* Galley—Tonnage	40		
	Pass Money ...	10		
			— 50	
	Ship *Shaw Allum*—Tonnage	200		
	Pass Money ...	14		
			— 214	
	Ship *Francis*—Tonnage	70		
	Pass Money	10		
			— 80	
	Ship *Abdosummud*—Pass Money		10	
	Brigantine *Supply*—Tonnage	25		
	Pass Money ...	10		
			— 35	
	Ship *Shrewsbury*—Tonnage	60		
	Pass Money ...	10		
			— 70	
	Brigantine *Sumatrass*—Pass Money		10	
	Brigantine *Speedwell*—Tonnage ...	25		
	Pass Money ...	10		
			— 35	
	Ship *Delight*—Tonnage	50		
	Pass Money	10		
			— 60	
	Brigantine *Essex*—Tonnage	25		
	Pass Money ...	10		
			— 35	
	Brigantine *Ann*—Tonnage	25		
	Pass Money ...	10		
			— 35	
	Ship *Henrieta*—Tonnage	70		
	Pass Money	10		
			— 80	
	Sum Totall of Tonnage & Pass Money ...		2,574	

Licences for Punch Houses.

September	Anthony Phillips from 1st July 1717 to ditto 1718	50	
	Eliza Bindon[1] from 31st July 1717 to ditto 1718	50	
	William Bergee from 14th September 1717 to do 1718 ...	50	
	Robt Lavers from 14th September 1717 to do 1718	50	
	Francis Bennet from 14th September 1717 to do 1718	50	
	Thos Beaver from 16th October 1717 to do 1718	50	
		300	
	Totall Rupees		2874

1123.—EXCHANGE OF OFFICES IN COUNCIL.

April 28th. Mr Edward Pages going to Cossimbazar occasioning a Generall Exchange of Offices which will be as follows:—

Mr James Williamson, Accountant.
Mr Samuell Browne, Export Warehousekeeper.
Mr John Deane, Import Warehousekeeper
Mr Henry Frankland, Buxey [*bakhshi*]
Mr William Spencer, Jamindar [*zamīndār*]
Mr Waterworth Collett, Secretary.
Mr John Eyre, Storekeeper.

And could not so conveniently be made till the Books are Ballanc'd which will be the 30th of this month, the proper Time for every one to examine his Charge which they are hereby order'd to do and receive into their Care as soon as possible giving each other a Receipt for the Ballance.

1124.—SURVEY OF THE *METCHLAPATAM*.

Thursday May 1st. Captain Henry Harnet and Nicholas Pamphilon having survey'd the Ship *Metchlapatam* as per Order in Consultation of the 28th Ultimo, now brought in their Report in Writing.

Honble Sir and Sirs,

According to your Orders We have Survey'd the Ship *Metchlapatam* and find her to be a new Ship with very good Timber and plank, but her Sheathing very much eaten by the Wormes so in our opinions She must

[1] Known as 'black Betty.' See § 1421 below.

be new Sheathed and She will want a great deal of Iron work and some crooked Timbers to Strengthen her.

We are etc.

HENRY HARNETT.
NICHOLAS PAMPHILON.

CALCUTTA,
The 1st May 1718.

ORDER'D That a Copy of the Report be sent to Madrass by a private Cossid [*qāṣid*] now going thither.

1125.—*METCHLAPATAM* TO BE REFITTED.

May 1st. ORDER'D That ye said Ship be hawled into the Dock to be fitted according to the abovementioned Report with all Expedition that She may be ready to return to Madrass in August next laden with Salt Petre and Stores as the Govr and Councill there desire in their Letter by her dated the 8th of Aprill 1718.

1126.—TOLL FOR THE BALASORE BANKSALL[1] HOUSE.

Thursday May 8th. The Banksall House at Ballasore built by Order of Consultation of the 12th August 1717 amounting to more money than at first apprehended and it being a good Land mark for Ships it is hereby Order'd.

That all Vessells that sail under Our Pass and Protection having more than one Mast pay annually ten Rupees which the Secretary is to Collect at the Time he gathers in the Pass money and Tonnage.

1127.—IMPORT WAREHOUSE ACCOUNT FOR APRIL 1718

Monday May 12th. Mr Samuell Browne, late Importwarehousekeeper, his account of goods sold in the month of Aprill.

				R.	A.	P.
Flint Ware	...	...	...	7	14	0
Broad Cloth, ordinary by retaile		...	...	10	6	6
Broad Cloth fine by retaile		...	...	64	14	0
White Lead	...	...	...	22	8	0
Goods bought of the Old Company		...	...	30	0	0
Goods bought of the new Company		...	...	9	11	0
Lead Cast	...	...	...	17	12	3
Perpetuanoes fine in Peices	...	...	...	72	0	0
Perpetuanoes ordinary in Peices		...	...	48	0	0
Broad Cloth Aurora in Peices		...	...	240	0	0
Broad Cloth ordinary in Peices		...	...	120	0	0
Velvetts and Silks	...	...	...	1	4	9
		Rupees	...	644	6	6

[1] The office of the Harbour Master or other port authority. A word of uncertain origin. See *Hobson Jobson*, p. 46.

1128.—GROUND RENT FOR GOVINDPUR.

Monday May 12th.

Mohawdew Crowree [Mahādeo *karoṛī*] demanding the Ground Rent due for that part of Govindpore in the Purgunna [*pargana*] of Pican Viz. four months due in December last is seventy Sicca Rupees, and four months due in Aprill last seventy Sicca Rupees both Sums one hundred and forty.

AGREED That the President pay the same and Charge it in Aprill Cash Account.

1129.—WAGES OF THE DACCA VAKĪL.

Thursday May 15th.[1]

Samsunderseat [Syāmsundar Seṭh] now deliver'd in an Account of Wages due to Santossmullick [Santos Mallik] the Vacqueel [*vakīl*] at Dacca from the 1st of May 1717 to the 30th of Aprill 1718 being twelve months at fifty five Rupees per Month amounts to six hundred and sixty Rupees which he desires may be transferr'd to his Creditt in the Generall Books.

ORDER'D That it be transferr'd to his Creditt accordingly.

1130.—RECOVERY OF LOST BALES FOUND AT HUGLI.

A letter sent to Richard Eyre.

Monday May 26th.

Upon information of some bales of Goods being seiz'd by the Government of Hugly from some dandys [*ḍāṇḍis*] who found them in a boat a drift at [illegible], We immediately wrote to Mr Richard Eyre at Hugly the [illegible] Instant, and also to our Vacqueel [*vakīl*] sending them the List of the Honble Companys Goods which were lost and Ordering them to examine whether any of the Goods appeared to belong to us and if so to make demand of them.

Purport of a Letter from our Vacqueel [vakīl].

Our Vacqueel [*vakīl*] acquaints us that he went to the [*faujdār*] of Hugly and made Demand of our Goods who [illegible] Mirtinjee [Mṛityuñjaya] Chief Collector of the Kings [illegible] who said there was only one bale which contained ninety [illegible] Pieces of Cossaes [*khāṣas*][2] 40 co long and 3 co broad (which [illegible] Sortment and quantity plainly appears to be the Honble Companys we lost in a boat out from the *St George*) and that he had sent one Piece to the Nabob who had given Orders for them to be sold and the Produce brought to the Kings Account.

[1] The moon was new on May 19.

[2] Fine muslin.

AGREED That We immediately write a Letter to Nabob Jaffer Caun [Ja'far Khān] at Muxodavad [Maqṣūdābād] with Orders to Mr Edward Page &c[a] at Cossimbuzar to forward it and at the same time to request his Order to the Phowsdar [*faujdār*] at Hugly that the said Bale may be deliver'd us as belonging to the Honble Company.

1131.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR APRIL 1718.[1]

Abstracts of Captain Henry Dallabar and Captain Richard Hunts Muster Rolls for the month of Aprill 1718.

Monday May 26th.

Captain Dallabars Company.

						r.
2	Lieutenants at 35 per m[o]			...	...	70
1	Ensign ...	...	...	...	...	24
1	Gentleman of Arms	...	...	...	...	20
1	Marshall ...	...	...	...	...	20
5	Serjeants at 20 „ „		...	...	...	100
6	Corporalls „ 13 „ „		...	...	...	78
5	Drummers	...	...	...	...	56
59	Europeans „ 10 „ „		...	...	...	590
1	Rounder ...	...	...	...	...	6
18	Portugueze „ 5 „ „		...	...	...	90
99				Rupees	...	1054

On Command at Cossimbuzar.

1 Serjeant.
1 Drummer.
11 Europeans.
1 Rounder.

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Captain Richard Hunt s Company.

						r.
1	Lieutenant	...	...	...	...	35
1	Ensign ...	...	...	...	...	24
7	Serjeants	140	...	...	...	160
1	d[o] from Cossimbuzar	20				
6	Corporalls	...	...	...	...	78
1	Drum Major	...	...	...	...	20
4	Drummers	...	...	...	...	52
64	Europeans	...	...	...	...	640
2	Rounders	...	...	...	...	12
20	Portugueze	...	...	...	...	100
107				Rupees	...	1121

On Command at Cossimbuzar.

1 Lieutenant.
1 Corporall.
5 Europeans.

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[1] Compare the January muster rolls, § 1036.

1132.—DESPATCHES FROM MADRAS.

Wednesday May 28th. This morning arrived our Choukey [*chaukī*] Boat from Rogues River and brought us a Packet from the Govr and Councill of Fort St George which came upon the *Brampore*, Captain Anthony Barnavill.

In these Letters the Govr and Councill of Fort St George advise that Syad Husseinally Caun [Sayyad Ḥusain ʿAlī Khān] has wrote to them to deliver back Trivatore [Thiruvothiyur][1], &c^{a} Villiages granted the Honb^{le} Company by King Furruckseers [Farrukhsīyar's] Phirmaund [*farmān*] and has given Order to the Suba [*sūbahdar*] to retake them alledging the Phirmaun [*farmān*] to be of no Value, which they desire we will represent at Court in Order to get Justice. Being in want of Salt Petre they press to have three thousand bags as soon as can be, they likewise advise the *Derby* and *Heathcote* were arrived Madrass the last of which will be sent hither in fourteen days with our proportion of Treasure, part of it coined.

1133.—CAPTAIN WOTTON'S TEDIOUS VOYAGE.

May 28th. We also receiv'd a Letter from Captain Thomas Wotton on board the *Bouverie* dated the 16th of Aprill in Lattitude 4 degrees 38^{m} South and 2 degrees West from the Southeast part of Zeloan [Ceylon] wherein He advises us all was well on board but had mett with Calms which are likely to make his Passage to Persia very Tedious.

1134.—NO CONFERENCE YET WITH THE NABOB.

Thursday June 5th.[2] The 3rd Instant we receiv'd a Letter from Mr Edwd Page Chief &c^{a} at Cossimbuzar. They advise us they have not yet been able to get a conference with the Nabob Jaffer Caun [Jaʿfar Khān] about our Grants.

1135.—WINDING UP THE EMBASSY ACCOUNTS.

King Furruckseers [*Farrukhsiyar's*] *Phirmaund* [farmān] *Sundrys wrote off to that Account.*

Thursday June 12th. Mr James Williamson Accountant laid before us an Account of what lost on sundrys sold at Outcry of what Mr Surman &c^{a} brought down from Dilly which being very much worn sold for much less than what they stood in their Books at as also what allowed here for batta [*baṭṭa*][3] on twenty nine thousand two hundred and eighty nine Rupees fifteen anaes

[1] A village north of Madras.

[2] Whit Sunday was June 1.

[3] Difference in exchange, discount on coins.

nine pice currant of Dilly paid into Cash there on account of Merchants goods sold perticulars as follows, Viz.

King Furruckseers [Farrukhsīyar's] Royall Phirmaund [*farmān*] Dr to sundry Accots Rupees 6047-13-9 lost on that Account being for sundrys brought down by Mr Surman &c. which were sold at publick Outcry for so much less than what they stood at in their Books Viz.

Plate recd. from Mr Surman &c. Wt Sic. Wt for 774 .–. 3 kept under that head standing in their Books at				r.	a.	p.			
				853	8	9			
and is worth ...				774	0	3	Loss	79	8 6
Budgerows and Boats 1 Budgerow standing at				106	4	0			
sold for				50	0	0			
								56	4 0
Pallenkeens 4 standing at ...				1125	6	9			
the Shells with some of the Plate of which sold for ...	263	4	6						
the remaining Plate worth at 16 oz. per sicca wt ...	497	12	0	761	0	6		364	6 3
Cattle 18 horses they brot standing at				3891	0	0			
12 sold for	1938	8	0						
6 bought for ye Compa ...	1204	0	0	3142	8	0			
lost by horses ...				748	8	0			
2 Oxen standing at ...	30	0	0						
sold for ...	9	14	6	20	1	6			
								768	9 6
Horse Furniture standing at ...				1209	6	0			
sold for ...				756	8	0			
								452	14 0
Tents and Carpetts &ca standing at				2626	0	0			
sold for ...				464	9	0			
								2161	7 0
House Necessarys standing at ...				517	0	3			
sold for ...				121	15	0			
								395	1 3
								1769	11 3
Merchants Goods the ballance of that Acct being the batta on Rs. 29289-15-9 Currt of Dilly pd into Cash there on that Acct which was brought out of their Books into ours as so many Currt. Rs. of Calcutta but there was paid here for them Rs. 31059-11 the difference is thus charged									
				Rupees				6047	13 9

Ordered That it be wrote off to King Furruckseers [Farrukhsīyar's] Royal Phirmaund [*farmān*].

[illegible]

Thursday June 12th. Charges Generall for Aprill past.

				r.		
Charges Generall				302[illegible]	11	[illegible]
Charges Dyet				130[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Charges Repairations				711	1	0
Pilots wages and Seamen in monthly pay				771	0	0
Charges Cattle				338	3	0
Military Viz.						
Officers and Soldiers pay for the M of March	2165	0	0			
The Gunners and Gunroom Crew ...	6[illegible]2	5	3			
Repairations and petty Charges ...	162	11	0			
				2940	0	
Charges Budgerows and boats				193	9	[illegible]
Cossimbuzar Sloop				48	11	[illegible]
London Sloop				1151	5	6
Charles Sloop				62	6	9
Wharfing the Dock				832	6	3
Rebuilding Banksall Godown				389	14	3
Repairing the Hospitall				160	1	0
Rebuilding Hugly Factory				1677	13	0
Servants wages in monthly pay				790	12	3
Charges of Oxen				51	0	[illegible]
Charges Hoggs				11	9	3
Charges of Merchandize				486	9	0
Durbar [*darbār*] Charges				45	8	[illegible]
Charges of Powder				292	8	0
Cossimbuzar Factory				95	12	[illegible]
Rupees				15389	3	6

1137.—PROFIT AND LOSS TO THE 30TH APRIL, 1718.

Mr James Williamson Accountant now laid before [illegible] Proffitt and Loss Article prepared for the Cl[illegible] the Generall Books to be ballanced to the 30[illegible] of Aprill last which being perused and well considerd of the perticulars whereof are as follows, Viz.

Monday June 16th.

Proffitt and Loss Dr to Sundry Accounts Rupees 176937 r. 4 a. lost on [illegible] following Accounts wrote off per Order of Consultation the 16th June, Viz.

		r	a	[illegible]
Perpettuances ordy in ps lost by sale of some damag'd	...	57	4	[illegible]
Goods bot of the New Company broken Flint Ware sold	...	5	1	6
Cuttlary Ware some damaged do	...	27	13	[illegible]
Carried over	...	[illegible]	[illegible]	6

			r.	a.	p.
	Brought over	...	90	2	6
Looking Glasses severall broke	... ...	...	84	2	0
Rose Water ¼ Chest spoilt and lost by sale of the rest		...	28	13	0
Alliballees [*alvānīs*] Under invoiced	...	...	23	10	0
Dooreas [*doriās*] Do	. .	...	28	6	0
Seerbetties Do	...	...	10	4	0
Elatches [*alāchas*] Do	...	...	0	8	0
Photaes [*photes*] Do	...	...	1	3	9
Peniascoes Do	...	...	17	0	0
Jamawars [*jāmahwārs*] Do	...	...	54	12	6
Doctors Stores expended Drugs and Medicines	...	...	2596	0	0
Factors Stationary Ware expended	...	...	578	12	9
Factors Provisions and Liquors expended	...	...	5329	12	0
C. B.					
Sea Coals 37 27 do	...	...	234	9	6
Gun Powder what wrote off undervalued	...	...	0	6	0
Rajamall Residence the Peones wages kept there	...	...	42	8	0
Patna Factory Expences there	... ...	...	184	13	6
Pallasore Flaggs worn out	... ...	...	81	3	0
Military Stores a Cask of Flints expended	...	...	27	8	0

Armory Stores lost and broke Viz.

			r.	a.	p.
3	old Arms	... ...	9	0	0
2	Musquettoons	... ...	12	0	0
2	Maple Stock Fuzees[1]	...	24	0	0
1	Harquebuss	... ...	24	0	0
3	Plain swords	... ...	9	0	0
152	belts ordinary	... ...	152	0	0
6	Do Cloth	... ...	30	0	0
3	Cloth Cartridge boxes	...	9	0	0
18	Plain do	... ...	9	0	0
7	Pole Axes	... ...	3	8	0
3	Granado Hatchets	... ...	5	0	0
18	Drum hoops	... ...	0	9	0
1	Lanthorn	... ...	1	8	0
124	Files	... ...	15	8	0
1	Screw Plate	... ...	1	0	0
	Carried over	...	305	1	0

9414 6 6

[1] A fusee was light musket or firelock.

					r.	a.	p.		r.	a.	p.
Brought over				...	305	1	0		9414	6	6
Deducting for sundrys made new not charged to Acco^{t} and for Sundrys new fitted up so stand at more than they did Viz.											
made new 106 Granado Pouches	...		53	0	0						
4 Leading Staves	...	...	16	0	0						
new fitted up 70 old arms			210	0	0						
2 brass blunder^{s}	...	...	30	0	0						
			309	0	0						
deducting for old barrells and Locks used for them	...	...	98	0	0						
						211	0	0		94	1	0
Packing Stores	...	...				...				0	11	9
Gunners Stores worn out broke and lost Viz.												
8 Powder hornes	...	...	...					3	8	0		
1 Brass ladle	...	...	...					1	10	0		
12 Steel bitts	...	...	...					0	12	0		
20 Primeing Irons	...	...	...					1	4	0		
28 Spunge Staves	...	...	...					3	8	0		
30 Handspikes	...	...	...					4	8	0		
14 Sieves	...	...	...					10	8	0		
400 Small Fuses	...	...	...					12	0	0		
72 Hair bottoms for Sieves		...	...					68	0	0		
4 Mallets and Setter	...	...	...					1	0	0		
											106	10	0
Horse Furniture Viz.												
4 Saddles worn out	...	...	...					10	0	0		
4 Bridles d^{o}	...	...	...					2	0	0		
wrote off from the value of other Saddles			...					60	0	0		
								72	0	0	9615	13	3
Deduct for 2 broad cloth Coverings made and not charged valued at	...	...	...					50	0	0			
											22	0	0
Elephant Furniture wrote off from the value of it ..								.....			23	9	9
Carried over Rupees			...								9661	7	0

				r. a. p.
Brought over Rupees				9661 7 0
Budgerows and Boats wrote off from the value of them				10 0 0
Cattle 1 horse dead	154	0	0	
2 Camells d°	500	0	0	
lost by sale of the old Coach horses and the 4 blunderbussmen	267	8	0	
				921 8 0
Account Interest the foot				32014 7 9
Account Sallary d°				10509 3 6
Charges Generall d°				20654 1 9
Charges Dyet d°				16055 8 0
Charges Repairations d°				7378 4 6
Pylots Wages and Seamen in monthly pay d° ...				9931 5 3
Charges Horses, Elephant &c^a—the foot ...				2259 4 0
Charges Military d°				32963 4 0
Charges Budgerows				2910 0 9
Charges Draines				1385 2 3
Servants Wages				9409 9 0
Durbar [*darbār*] Charges				2344 5 9
Charges Oxen and Hoggs				998 9 9
Charges Merchandize, Viz^t				
The Charges on the Europe Inv° rec^d ...	9214	7	6	
A Proportion of the Charges here for Goods imported	2408	12	0	11623 3 6
				171029 4 9
Mary Buoyer what She stood at when lost ...	5072	15	3	
deducting what saved ...	204	0	0	
				4868 15 3
Malbro' Sloop her Stores wrote off from the value of Ct. rs. 13 w^t of anch^rs @ 3 per Ct.				39 0 0
				175937 4 0
Proffit and Loss D^r to Sundry Accounts Rupees 2570-12-9 for Charges on the following Acco^t wrote off per Order in Consultation ye 16th June, Viz.				
Cossimbuzar Sloop	775	14	0	
Charles Sloop	1139	15	9	
London Sloop	654	15	0	
				2570 12 9

ORDER'D That It be deliver'd the Accountant to be entred that the Books may forthwith be ballanced.

1138.—COWRIES TO BE BOUGHT AT CHANDANNAGAR.

Monday June 16th. There being a parcell of Cowries (*kauṛis*) offered to be sold at Chandenagur at 35 pun for a Madrass Rupee to be deliver'd there which considering the great demand the Honourable Company make for them and the present scarcity and none expected this year; Agreed That We buy them and send Boates to fetch them down.

1139.—OPPRESSIVE PROCEEDINGS AT HUGLI.

Tuesday June 17th.[1] Last night Mr Richard Eyre came down from Hugly and informs us that yesterday morning our Vacqueel (*vakil*) acquainted him that by Order of the Nabob Jaffer Caun [Ja'far Khān] at Muxoodavad [Maqṣūdābād] the Government design'd to pull down the House we are building on the Companys Ground where the old Factory stood, forbidding us attempting any such work and before he could write a Letter to advise us thereof the Catwall [*koṭwāl*] with his guard and a great Mob entred the Compound seized the workmen and their toolls, plundering the Bannians [*banyā's*] house of the money lodged there to defray the Charge of the building, and the Factory of what they could carry away, the perticulars he does not know being forced to fly down hither in the hurry and the Bannians [*banyās*] are not to be found but supposed to be taken Prisoners, the reasons for the above violence they have given in their Wacka [*waqāya'*], the translation whereof is as follows :

Coppy of a Wacka [waqā'yā] *dated the 9th of Moon Rudjeb* [*Rajab*]. [2]

Formerly at Golgaut [Gholghāt] in Hugly Mr Charnock Englishman had a Factory in the Reign of King Aurunzeeb [Aurangzēb] the aforesaid Englishman fought the Phowsdar [*faujdār*] and Mogulls there plundered the whole City and then burnt it and so went away to his own Country At this juncture the English of Calcutta have sent an Englishman to the aforesaid Factory to build a new Factory in form of a Fort with Brick Walls and Bullworks, the said Englishman is going forward with intent to finish it.

Signed (dushkut) [*dastkhaṭ*] by the Nabob.

Take an Obligation (Moochalka) [*mulchalkā*].

From the Phowsdars Wackeel [*faujdār's vakil*].

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[1] The moon was new on June 17.

[2] Perhaps the 9th Rajab is a mistake for the 29th Rajab, which is equivalent to the 17th June. The 9th Rajab 1130H. was Wednesday, the 28th May, 1718 A.D.

1140.—STOPPAGE OF THE NATIVE SHIPPING

Tuesday June 17th.

ORDER'D That immediately an Ensign and a party of Soldiers be planted at the Octogon on Chuttanuttee [Sūtānuṭī] Point[1] with Orders to stop all Ships Vessells and boats belonging to the Moors till satisfaction is made us for this gross affront and the loss the Honble Company have sustained thereby, Also that We write to Court to have the matter represented fairly to the King and Justice requested and that the Nabob be acquainted with our Intentions and the use we design this house for.[2]

1141.—DESPATCHES BY THE *HEATHCOTT*.

Europe Packet per *Heathcott* received.

This morning Mr Thomas Coales came up from the *Heathcott* with the Honble Compas Packet.

Saturday June 21st.

The *Heathcott* touched at Madrass where she arriv'd the 9th Ultimo, sailed from thence the 8th Inst. arrived in Ballasore Road the 15th and anchored before the Fort this day. The Gursburdar [*gurzbardār*] is returned upon her in order to proceed to Court.

We likewise received per the *Heathcott* a Packett from the Govr and Councill of Fort St George.

They advise us they are likely to meet with a great deal of difficulty in obtaining their Grants and further press us for a supply of Salt Petre.

1142.—ZAMINDĀRĪ ACCOUNTS FOR APRIL, 1718.

Monday June 23rd.

Jemendars Account for the month of Aprill.

	r.	a.	p.
By Gain on Cowries [*kauṛis*]	132	11	0
„ Duty on Grain	131	15	1
„ Mangon [*mangan*]	324	0	0
„ Molldarry [*māldārī*]	3	0	0
„ Weighers	139	8	9
„ Toubuzzarey [*tahbāzārī*][3]	123	14	0
„ Wood	7	7	0
„ Potts	1	2	0
„ Caulkers	36	4	0
„ Bannians [*banyās*]	6	8	9
Carried over ...	906	6	7

[1] The octagon at Sūtānaṭī Point was purchased for Rs. 4000 according to the Consultation of November 14, 1717. § 1055 in Volume II, part 1.

[2] Their letters are given in the minutes of the Consultation of the 26th June. See §§ 1145, 1146.

[3] A tax or charge on sellers in a *bāzār*, abolished in 1793.

	r.	a.	p.
Brought over ...	906	6	7
By Brammins [*Brahmans*]	2	5	9
„ Ferry boates	7	4	6
„ Hoggs	1	1	9
„ Cotton Beaters	0	14	9
„ Cooleys [*gulis*]	11	7	3
„ Butty [*bhaṭi*]	63	15	6
„ Laying boates ashoar	2	4	0
„ Making Wax	18	12	0
„ The Markett	179	8	9
„ Delolly [*dallāli*] on Cloth	2	13	0
„ Conjee [*kānji*]	0	9	6
„ Begum Buzzar [*Begam Bāzār*]	25	9	3
„ Suba Buzzar [*S'obhā Bāzār*]	69	9	9
„ Jean Buzzar	24	3	0
„ Delolly [*dallāli*] on Fish &c[a]	3	1	9
„ Sale of Houses	41	14	9
„ Sallammee [*salāmi*] of Pottahs [*paṭṭas*] ...	208	11	9
„ Recovering Debts	21	2	3
„ Peons Fees	96	2	0
„ Marriages	346	9	9
„ Fines	44	0	3
„ Bang [*bhang*]	72	11	0
„ Sale of Ground	19	7	6
„ Sale of Musterseed and Grain	15	4	0
„ Sealing the Weights and Measures	30	0	0
„ Cattwalley [*kotwāli*]	44	11	3
„ Ground Rent	1460	3	0
	3720	12	7[1]
Deduct for Charges ...	336	8	3
	3384	4	4

ORDER'D That it pass Errors Excepted.

1143.—BALASOR SANAHS TO BE PROVIDED.

Monday June 23rd. The Hon[ble] Company having Order'd seven thousand peices of Ballasore Sannoes [*sanahs*] to be provided in their List of Investment receiv'd per the *Heathcott* Agreed That We send a Chest of Madrass Rupees by the *Cossimbuzar* Sloop to M[r] Edward Stephenson Cheif at Ballasore to enable him to begin that Investment and that We advise him thereof immediately per Cossid [*qāṣid*] overland.

[1] There is an error of 11 pice in the original, where the amount is given as 3720-13-6.

1144.—PROCEEDINGS WITH REGARD TO THE AFFRONT AT HUGLI.

Thursday June 26th.

Last Night we receiv'd a Letter from Mr Edward Page Cheif &c[a] at Cossimbuzar adviseing that the 21st Instant they deliver'd the Letter we wrote to Nabob Jaffer Caun [Ja'far Khān] at Muxoodavad [Maqsūdābād] complaining of the Insolent affront given the Honble Company by the Hugly Govt taken notice of in Consultation of the 17th Instant since which We have stopt all the Moors Vessells Boates &c[a] going up and down the River and that the Nabob had Order'd our Vacqueel [*vakīl*] to attend him next morning for an Answer.

1145.—LETTER TO THE NABOB.[1]

Coppy of a Letter to Jaffercaun [Ja'far Khān], dated the 17th June 1718.

"The former Factory which the Company had at Hugly of ancient being broken and fallen down and carried away by water, and now there being no place for the residence of any English man who sometimes happen to go thither for which reason we sent our people to build a small house in the old Companys Factory Ground Meizza Hassen Ulla [Mirzā Aḥsānu-llah] Phowsdar [*faujdār*] having sent his people with the Catwall [*koṭwāl*] who did in a violent manner seize our Gomastahs [*gumāshtas*], Servants, Workmen &c[a] beat them, bound them and carried them away and imprisoned them, plundering all our Goods and necessaries that were there, and wanted to break down the aforesaid House, We are People who have for a long continuance been honoured with Kingly favours and have obtained Royall Phirmauns [*farmāns*] for a free liberty of building Factorys in every Place. Such exorbitant Oppressions were never offer'd on us and we never before bore with such Oppressions, for what reason has the aforesaid Phowsdar [*faujdār*] so unjustly molested us, if we are so wrongfully oppressed we shall not be able to stay in this Country.

Surely some bad people has represented to you in a quite different manner the building of this house.

We hope for your Orders that we may not another time be so injuriously molested, that the Phowsdar [*faujdār*] do not hinder our going forward in building that house, that we have all the Goods and necessarys which was plunder'd restored, and our People which are imprisoned released."

1146.—LETTER TO EDWARD PAGE.[1]

To Mr Edward Page, Cheif
&c[a] Councill at Cossimbuzar.

Sirs,

Last Night Mr Eyre arrived us from Hugly giving Account of the Moors having seized our new House there building and plundered the Bannian

[1] Entered in the minutes of the Consultation of the 26th June.

[*banyan*] of his money which he had for Expences, and every thing else that was moveable within the Walls under pretence of an Order from Jaffercaun [Ja'far Khān] to whom they had falsely wrote we were building a strong Fort. The Action was committed in a most insolent manner of going in with a number of armed men, the Mob hallowing and beating of drums and our Workmen bound beat and imprisoned, in short the insult is too great to be borne with therefore we have set a Guard at the Octogon,[1] to stop all boates or Vessells belonging to the Moors either going or coming and are resolv'd to have Restitution of this and all the rest of our Priviledges granted to us by his Majesties Royall Phirmaun [*farmān*] and this you must find meanes to let Jaffer Caun [Ja'far Khān] be acquainted with.

We have wrote to Jaffercaun [Ja'far Khān] about this Affair which you must dispatch the Vacqueel [*vakīl*] with on recet without delay the Copy thereof comes for your perusall.

If you have a quantity of Goods in your Warehouse in a readiness and you think it needfull for a reinforcement, we will send you up a party to convoy them down, that they may be with us in time for our expected Shipping.

Fort William,
the 17th June 1718.

We are
Your Loving Freinds and Servants
Sam[ll] Feake &c[a] Councill.

1147.—LETTERS FROM HUGLI.

Thursday June 26th.

We likewise have Letters from the Phowsdars [*faujdārs*] of Hugly and Mirtinjee [Mṛityuñjaya] Collector of the Customes wherein they write the occasion of the violence comitted on the Honb[le] Comp[as] House building there was the Wakanagur [*waqāya'nigār*] & Swananagurs [*savānihnigārs*] misrepresenting the building in their News Papers, and that if we please to send up our Vacqueel [*vakīl*] and people the Phousdar [*faujdār*] himself will go with them and view the work that he may be able to give the Nabob a true state of it, this good Effect already is owing to our resolute proceeding of stopping the Passage of their trade up and down the river by our Soldiers.

AGREED that M[r] Richard Eyre and the Vacqueell [*vakīl*] go up for that purpose as soon as possible.

1148.—REPLY OF THE NABOB.

Tuesday July 1st.

Receiv'd the 28th Ultimo a Letter from M[r] Edward Page &c[a] at Cossimbuzar, dated the 25th D[o] acquainting that the Nabob Jaffercaun [Ja'far Khān] at Muxoodavad [Maqṣūdābād] returned us an answer to our Letter

[1] See above on June 17th, § 1140.

about the Affront given the Honble Company at Hugly that we might build Houses to carry on our business but not Forts being contrary to the Kings Order, which was the occasion of his ordering our building at Hugly to be stopt, but if the Phowsdar [*faujdār*] would assure him that it was only a House meaning no Fortification he would not molest it.

They likewise advise that Durpneram [Darpanārāyan] told their Broker Contoo [Kantu] the bales of Goods we wrote about to the Nabob by Order of Consultation the 26th May last would be delivered us.

1149.—REASONS FOR SETTLING THE PATNA FACTORY.

Patna Factory—Reasons for resettling it.

Wednesday July 2nd.

Having wrote the Honble Company in the 54th and 128th Paras of our Letter last Year sent per *Hannover* dated the 3rd December 1717 that we had some intentions to resettle Patna Factory to prevent the detaining of their Shipping for want of Salt Petre and that we might be better able to comply with their orders for that part of the Investment to be provided at that place (which is impossible to be done at Calcutta either as to the quantity or quality) could we first obtain the Sooba's Perwanna [*ṣubahdār's parwāna*] and the Kings Duans Sunnud [*diwān's sanad*] and were fully assured the extravagant demands and large sums extorted from us of late years should be so no more perticularly the yearly Pishcash [*peshkash*] of sixteen thousand Rupees, since when on the 27th March last we received a Letter from Roopchund [Rūpchand] formerly our Vacqueel [*vakīl*] at Patna adviseing that the Sooba Seerbulluncaun [*ṣūbahdār* Sarbuland Khān] our entire enemy was turned out and Syad Caun Jemma Caun [Sayyad Khān Zamān Khān] appointed Sooba [*ṣūbahdār*] in his stead, whereupon we wrote an Arzedarst [*'arẓdāsht*] or a Letter Ordering Roopchund [Rūpchand] to present it to the new Sooba [*ṣūbahdār*] and at the same time to congratulate his accession to that dignity and request his favour for our trade at Patna according to the Priviledges granted us by the King. In Answer whereto we have receiv'd a Letter from Roopchund [Rūpchand] the 30th Ultimo enclosing the before mentioned Grants, Viz. the Subahs Perwanna [*ṣūbahdār's parwāna*] and Kings Duans Sunnud [*diwān's sanad*] with an Assurance that whenever we resettle that Factory we should

take possession of the House lately granted us by his Majesty and the Yearly Pishcash [*peshkash*] of sixteen thousand Rupees should not be again demanded.

Wherefore to prevent the misfortune of last year when our Honble Masters Shipping were detained near two months purely for want of Salt Petre which did not arrive us till the 26th of January by which meanes they [? We] could not gett their Ships in a readiness to receive their dispatches till the 22nd of February whereas they might and would have been cleared by the very beginning of January could we have procured their Kintelage. Upon this Consideration and farther that we may be enabled to provide what Patna peice Goods shall be Order'd on the best and cheapest terms which is not to be done unless we have our own People there, the great Customs and extortions these Country People are necessitated to comply with before they can Clear their goods and after the vast Charges in bringing the same to Caloutta through so many parts of the Government, obliges them to raise their prizes very considerably, besides their Chints generally stampt on very ordinary Cloth and not fitt for a Europe Markett.

A Duty of Two per Cent. to be paid in Pattanz.

Tis therefore Resolved that we resettle that Factory and to ease our Honble Masters of part of the Durbar [*darbār*] Charges of that Settlement Agreed & Order'd that all private trade do pay into their Cash there, two per Cent on the Amount of their Invoice and that the Freight of their Goods up and down be at their own expence as has ever been and shall be continued.

Mr Samuell Browne demanding that Post as next in Succession at our Board and it being carried in a Majority.

Agreed That he be Order'd Cheif of that Factory, Mr Edward Stephenson now at Ballasore second, and Mr Hugh Barker third and Mr Samll Harwood assistant and that they prepare to proceed as soon as the boats can be gott in readyness with ten Chests of treasure and a strong party of Soldiers for their Convoy, and that on their arrivall they forthwith give out Dadney [*dādnī*] for the next years Investment of Petre; November and December being the properest season to agree for Petre on the best and cheapest terms.

1150.—*PARWÂNAS* AND *SANADS* FOR PATNA.

1. Perwanna [*parwāna*] under the Seal of Chaunzummaun Behader [Khān Zamān Bahādur] Suba [*ṣūbahdār*] of Behar, Viz.

The greatest among Merchants the English Company Know ye by these Presents that at this time it is known unto me that you withdrew your Factory from Patna for which this is wrote that you may come hither with satisfaction and resettle your Factory according to former Custome, every thing to your Contentment shall be complyed with, I have given a Dustick [*dastak*] for the ways, send your Gomastahs [*gumāshtahs*] speedily that they may come and stay here with satisfaction. Regard this perticularly well. Written the 17th of the Moon Rajeeb [Rajab] the 7th Year of his Majestys Reign.[1]

2. Perwanna [*parwāna*] under the Seal of Abdullcader Caun ['Abdu-l Qādir Khān] Duan Suba [*dīwān-i-ṣūbah*] of Behar, Viz.

May the greatest among Merchants the English Company be always under the protection of the Allmighty. It is known at this time that you withdrew your Factory from Patna and now do wait for the Suba's [*ṣūbahdār's*] and my encouragement for resettling your Factory and sending your Factors for which this is writt, the Suba [*ṣūbahdār*] and my selfe have wrote you our Letters to encourage you and have sent Dusticks [*dastaks*] under the Suba's [*ṣūbahdār's*] and my Seal you may with all contentment send speedily your Gomastahs [*gumāshtahs*] here and resettle your Factory and every matter to your satisfaction shall be complyed with.

The 26th of the Moon Rajeeb [Rajab] the 7th year of his Majestys Reign.[2]

3. A Dustick [*dastak*] under the Suba [*ṣūbahdār*] of Behar his Seal directed to all the Guardians of ways, the Keepers of Passages and safe Convoys on the Roads from Patna throughout Behar as followeth.

The English Companys Gomastahs [*gumāshtahs*] are sent for to come and resettle their Factory here. Its strictly Orderd that you do not molest them and hinder boats for (aboobmumnua) [*abwāb mamnū'āh*] *id est* Custome on boats, Letting them pass with safety through your severall districts. Regard this punctually, the 17th Rajeeb [Rajab] the 7th year.

4. The other Dustick [*dastak*] the same as above from the Duan [*dīwān*].

1151.—DEATH OF ENSIGN GOODWYN.

Wednesday July 2nd. This day Mr John Goodwyn[3] Ensign in Captain Richard Hunts Company departed this Life.

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[1] Monday the 5th June, 1718 A.D.

[2] Wednesday the 14th June, 1718.

[3] Goodwin was appointed ensign, June 25, 1716, 980. It seems that he was at first assigned to Captain Dallibar's Company and afterwards changed. See § 1160.

1152.—DESPATCHES BY THE *CHARLES*.

Friday July 4th. This morning arrived Mr William Hall from on board the *Charles* who brought us a Packet from the Honble Court of Directors which came upon the *Mary* and was forwarded to us by the Govr and Councill of Fort St George. We also receiv'd herewith a Letter from Mr John Emmerson Secretary at Fort St George dated the 19th Ultimo advising that the *Mary* arrived there the 18th and that the *Grantham* was arrived but does not mention the time of her arrivall only informs us she will be detained till her treasure is all coined.

1153.—ARRIVAL OF ROBERT TURNER, WRITER

July 4th. Mr Robert Turner one of the Honble Companys Writers who took his passage upon the *Grantham* came down from Madrass by this Conveyance and produced his Covenants in Councill in conformity whereto his time is to commence from his arrivall at Calcutta which is this day, and his Station to be according to the List of the Company's Servants received in the Packett.

1154.—REDUCTION OF THE COUNCIL TO SIX.

July 4th. The Honble Court of Directors having in this Generall Letter been pleased to Order that no Addition be made to the Councill (after the succession of Mr Surman) till the number be reduced to less than seven, Mr John Eyre who was next to Mr Surman & was taken into Councill upon his going for England, does hereby quitt his place, and continues next in Succession.

1155.—THE INVESTMENT AT CASSIMBAZAR.

Monday July 7th. The 4th Inst receiv'd a Letter from Mr Edward Page &ca at Cossimbuzar dated the 30th Ultimo wherein they advise us they are in great doubt of getting the whole quantity of Taffatys [taffetas] and Jamwars [*jāmahwārs*] Orderd by the *Heathcott* it being too late in the Season to provide so large a quantity of those comoditys, time enough for the Dispatch of our Ships, they also advise they have already procured the full quantity of Raw Silk before Orderd which is four hundred bales, and is all ready in the Factory.

1156.—PAGE REQUESTS A CHANGE ON ACCOUNT OF ILL-HEALTH.

July 7th. We also receiv'd a Letter from Mr Page the same date wherein he acquaints us of his great Indisposition by a relapse into his former illness which our Doctors have wrote him that his present state requires their immediate application, which they can't administer unless he comes down, and upon which he requests to come down for a short time, in hopes by that meanes to regaine his health and return in time to compleat the remainder of the Investment to be provided there.

AGREED That he have leave to come down to endeavour the recovery of his Health.

1157.—AFFAIRS AT HUGLI.

July 7th. Mr Richard Eyre and the Vacqueell [*vakil*] who were orderd to go up to Hugly in Consultation of the 20th Ultimo upon receit of a Letter from the Phowsdar [*faujdār*] and Mirtinjee [Mṛituñjaya] Collector of the Customes, who promised therein to go in person to view the House we were building and give a just Report to the Nabob Jaffercaune [Ja'far Khān] at Muxoodavad [Maqsūdābād], being detained till now upon Account of the application made to us by a great many of the most substantiall Merchants of Hugly who came hither on purpose to accomodate matters between us and that Government promising in the Phowsdars [*faujdār's*] name that in case we would send a proper Person to Hugly all satisfaction imaginable should be made us, as the Waccanagur [*waqā'yānigār*] and Catwall [*kotwāl*] cashier'd, the former for his false writings to the Nabob, and the latter for his insolent behaviour to our people who (as they say) had only orders to speak to our Vacqueell [*vakil*] to forbear going on with the building but not to offer any Violence.

1158.—FRANKLAND TO ACCOMMODATE MATTERS WITH THE HUGLI GOVERNMENT.

July 7th. AGREED That Mr Henry Frankland with our Broker Hurnaut [Harināth] and Barnarseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh] do proceed forthwith to Hugly and accompany the Phowsdar [*faujdār*] to review our building and that he demand Coppy of what he writes the Nabob under his own seal, as also his own Letter as a farther Certificate to our Governours. Provided the Contents of his Letter to Jaffercaun [Ja'far Khān] be as he and his officers have promised, we do agree that Mr Frankland give his word in behalf of

us all that our Soldiers shall be recalled from the outgard[1] and their boates &c[a] pass and repass without molestation upon his first returning to us with the above mentioned Letters.

1159.--ENLISTMENT OF SIXTY SOLDIERS.

Monday, July 7th. In consideration of our present troubles with the Government about our building at Hugly, and that we shall want a strong party of a hundred men at least to send up to Patna with our boates with treasure and other goods for the resettlement of that Factory, hearing that the Chuckwars [Chakwārs] &c[a] Rebells are gott to a head again at Conna and other places between this and Patna during the late Vacancy of that Subaship, and being obliged to keep at this time a good reinforcement at Cossimbuzar.

AGREED That we make an Addition of thirty men in each Company and that our Captains endeavour to raise and List them with all expedition, which we can at any time discharge again as soon as our present emergent occasion be elapsed.

1160.—SERJEANT GULIELMUS MADE ENSIGN.

Monday, July 7th. There being a Vacancy of Ensign in Captain Richard Hunts Company occasioned by the death of Ensign John Goodwyn[2] and Serjeant John Gulielmus being next in succession and having given sufficient proof of his Courage and Conduct upon severall occasions, we do unanimously

AGREE to give him an Ensigns Commission.

1161.—WILLIAMSON TO TAKE CHARGE OF THE EXPORT WAREHOUSE.

July 7th. M[r] Samuell Browne being orderd Cheif of Patna it is hereby Agreed that Mr James Williamson take the Charge of the Export Warehouse.

1162.—THE BAKHSHI TO TAKE CHARGE OF STOREHOUSE.

July 7th. The Storekeepers post becoming vacant by M[r] John Eyres quitting the Councill.

ORDER'D That it be annexed to the Buxeys [*bak'hshi's*] Post as formerly and that M[r] Henry Frankland now Buxey take the Charge thereof.

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[1] The guard, presumably, which had been stationed at the Octagon. See § 1140, p. 41.

[2] See above, § 1151.

1163.—FRANKLAND'S REPORT OF WHAT PASSED AT HUGLY.

Saturday, July 12th.

Mr Frankland being returned from Hugly acquainted us that after a long dispute with the Phowsdar [*faujdār*] &c^{a} Officers of that Government (where the heads of our Order of Consultation of the 7th instant were strenuously urged) the Phowsdar [*faujdār*] and Mirtinjee [Mṛituñjaya] complyed so far as to give us assurance in writing under their own seals (which Mr Frankland has now laid before us) that as soon as the boats we have stopt are released, they will write the Nabob the Wackanagurs [*waqā'yānigār's*] representation of our building was villainously false for which he is already expelled his Office. This being what Jaffercaun [Ja'far Khān] requested as by a Copy of his Letter receiv'd from Mr Edward Page &c^{a} at Cossimbuzar dated the 25th June, and as the Hugly Governour has already returned part of the Tools and promises full restitution of the whole, and farther has displaced the Waccanagur or News Writer.

AGREED That on this Certificate we recall our outguards and advise the Phowsdar of our doing so, and that our Broker Hurnaut [Harināth] and Bernarseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh] do procure Copys of what they write the Nabob on this Affair.

1164.—FINE ON THE PRESIDENT REMITTED.

Monday, July 14th.

According to the Honble Court of Directors Order in the 65th Paragraph of their Generall Letter now receiv'd dated the 8th January 1717-1718.

AGREED that the President receive back the five hundred rupees he was formerly fined for Goods which were stole out of the Warehouse, and charge it in his Cash Account.

1165.—CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED TWO *PER CENT* CONSULAGE.

Monday, July 14th.

The Honble Court of Directors in the 55th Paragraph of their foremention'd Letter having Orderd two per Cent Consulage to be paid into their Cash on all Trade at this Port and we taking it into serious Consideration how and in what manner to collect the same so as not to make Noise or give Umbrage to the Government, some difficultys appear in coming at the true amount of that part belonging to Supra Cargoes, Captains, Mates &c^{a} private adventurers by which to make a due Collection.

AGREED That the same be referred to further Consideration.

1166.—DOCK VESSELS TO PAY 40 RUPEES PER SPRING.

July 14th. ORDERD That all small Vessells that haul into the Dock shall pay forty Rupees per Spring and other large Vessells according to their Tonnage.

1167.—WILL OF CHARLES HAMOND.

Monday, July 14th. The Last Will and Testament of Mr Charles Hamond was now produced by Mr Baron Jeffs and proved.

Copy of Mr Hamond's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I Charles Hamond Mariner in the Kingdom of Bengall being sick and weak in body but of perfect Mind and Memory and knowing the uncertainty of humane Life do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis I bequeath my Soul into the hands of Almighty God my Creator, trusting in the Sacrafice of Jesus Christ my Saviour that I shall be admitted into everlasting Happiness and as to my Body I bequeath it to the earth to be buried by the Order of my Trustees hereafter nominated. Item. I bequeath unto my Brother Trice Hamond his Issue the remainder of my Estate after the following Legacys are paid.

Item. I do bequeath unto my boy Francis Mayor the summe of Fifty Rupees.

Item. I do constitute and appoint Mr Baron Jeffs and Mr John Harrison my Trustees to whome I bequeath two hundred Rupees, that is one hundred Rupees each and that they remitt the remainder of my Effects to England by bill of Exchange in the Companys Cash to Mr Trice Hamond.

This I do declare to be my last Will and Testament in Wittness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seal this sixth day of July one thousand seven hundred and eighteen.

Chs Hamond (Seal.)

Signed Sealed and Deliverd
where no Stampt Paper is to
be had in the presence of us
John Osbaldeston
William Cowley
Jno Bonkett

1168.—PURCHASE OF COTTON FOR PACKAGE.

Thursday July 17th.[1] Mr James Williamson who has now again taken Charge of the Export Warehouse advises that there is no Cotton remaining for Package of the Goods now ready to be prized, and it not being procureable under the extravagant price of

[1] The moon was new on July 16.

twenty rupees per maund occasioned by the Crop of Cotton in this Country being destroyed by the unseasonable heavy rains which fell here in February last, and that Commodity not having been procureable at Surat this season as usuall, no possibility being left of any coming to Bengall this season, it is dayly rising. Wherefore

AGREED thirty five bales be bought as soon as possibly can be secured.

1169.—PACKET FROM MADRAS BY THE *MARY*.

Monday, July 21st. Yesterday arrived Captain Richard Holden, Commander of the *Mary* in the *Charles* Sloop having left his Ship at Rogues River, and brought us a Packet from the Governour and Councill of Fort S[t] George.

1170.—CAPTAIN HOLDEN'S REASONS FOR NOT GOING TO VIZAGAPATAM.

July 21st. Captain Holden having received Orders from the Gov[r] and Councill of Fort S[t] George to touch at Vizagapatam to take in some bales there, informs us he was forced to bear away for this Port, meeting with such stormy weather that he could not fetch that place, and deliverd in a Paper signed by himselfe and all his Officers with their reasons for so doing.

There being on board Treasure and other Goods for that Factory.

AGREED. That we open their Packett and advise them thereof by Cossid [*qāṣid*] overland.

1171.—CAPTAIN HOLDEN'S REPORT.

Having receivd Orders from the Honb[le] Joseph Collett Esq[r] Gov[r] of Fort S[t] George &c[a] Councill bearing date July the 8th 1718 at 6 in the Evening to sail for Vizagapatam without any loss of time, and from thence to Bengall, I went directly on board and weighed at one the next morning as soon as y[e] land Breese came off all that day I had fine weather the next day a very hard gale of Wind with a prodigious great southern swell, the day following I went with a very easy sail and all night with our Topsails on the capp, at 4 in the morning I reckoned I was the length of Due Point, then it blew so hard I was forced to hand both topsails sett our Courses and stood in for the land NBW at 8 D[o] we sett both topsails with all the reefs in, on the Capp and carried them till noon, then it blew so hard we could not carry them any longer, we were forced to hand our topsails and being in hopes of better weather we hawl'd up our foresail and lay by under a Mainsail and Mizzen with our head in, from the 11th at Noon till the 12th at 5 a Clock in the morning then set our foresail and stood in with the land as near as we could lye NW & NWBW, we had too much wind to carry our topsails, at 8 this afternoon we made the Dolphins nose off Vizagapatam bearing NW ½ N we went into 30 fathom water then I called a Consultation of my Officers to desire their opinion about standing in and anchoring they all agreed that if we anchored any where upon the Coast with that Gale

of Wind and Sea all the anchors and Cables in the Ship would not hold us, and I must be of the same oppinion myselfe, then we wore and lay under a mainsail and Mizzen with our head to the S° ward till 12 at night then wore and lay with our head in hoping for better Weather to anchor some where on the Coast as near Vizagapatam as we could and send them advice where we were. In the morning we found the weather as bad as the day before so was forced to bear away for Bengall, so much Wind and sea I never mett on the Coast before. Myselfe and Officers have all attested this paper and are ready to make Affadavitt as soon as shall be required.

July the 14th 1718.

R. Holden, Capt. Tho. Holden, Cheif Mate Jn° Blundell 3rd Mate
Edwd Hickes fourth Mate Per^ll Gooding Surgeon Thos Halford Pursur
Anthony Adams Boatswain Richd Conquest Gunner John Webster Carpenter

1172.—LETTER FROM MADRAS WITH DESPATCHES FROM EUROPE.

Monday, July 21st.

The Govr and Councill of Fort St George have by the *Mary* sent us Thirty Chests of Madrass Rupees and advise that the *King George* arrived there the 25th Ult° and that they are coining the *Granthams* Treasure and shall dispatch her to us about twenty four days after the date of this Letter (which is the 7th July) with sixty chests more and the *King George* twenty four days after her (by which time her treasure will be coined also) with the remainder of our proportion.

We likewise receiv'd herewith a Packet from the Honb^le Court of Directors which came upon the *King George* containing the Companys General Letter to Bengall dated 8th Jan. 1717-18 etc. etc.

1173.—JOHN DERRICKSON'S BILLS TO BE PAID OFF.

Monday, July 21st.

We have received thirty chests of treasure from Madrass and expecting more shortly, Agreed that we send for John Derricksons bills of debt and pay them off (his being the greatest Sume standing out) to put a Stop to that heavy article of Interest, and that twenty chests be given out Dadney [*dādnī*] to our Merchants to enable them to go on with their Contracts.

1174.—ARRIVAL OF JOHN FORSTER, WRITER.

July 21st.

Mr John Forster one of the Honb^le Companys Writers who took his passage upon the *Grantham* arrived here the 19th upon a Country Ship from Madrass and this day produced his Covenants in Councill, his time is to commence from the arrivall of Mr Turner the first that came which was the 4th Inst, according to the Companys standing Order, but his Salary commences from his arrivall here.

1175.—ARRIVAL OF EDWARD PAGE FROM CASSIMBAZAR.

Monday, July 28th. The 22nd instant Mr Edward Page arrived from Cossimbuzar as by leave given him in Consultation of the 7th Inst.

1176.—JOHN DERRICKSON'S BILLS PAID.

July 28th. There being due on John Derricksons two bills of debt the following Sums Viz. one for thirty five thousand rupees and Interest thereon from the 28th of Aprill to this day is three months at one per Cent per mensem amounts to one thousand and fifty rupees, which makes thirty six thousand and fifty rupees, the other ten thousand rupees with Interest from the 2nd of May is two months twenty six days amounting to two hundred eighty six rupees ten anaes six pyce makes ten thousand two hundred eighty six rupees ten anaes six pyce, the whole amount of both bills is forty six thousand three hundred thirty six rupees ten anaes six pyce.

AGREED The President discharge the same both bills being first taken up and cancelled.

1177.—WILL OF ELIZABETH WESTMACOTT.

Monday, July 28th. The Last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Westmacott was now produced by Mr William Spinckes Trustee thereof and proved.

Copy of Elizabeth Westmacott's Will.[1]

In the Name of God Amen I Elizabeth Westmacott Relict of Edward Westmacott of Callcutta being weak in body but in sound memory and understanding do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following Viz.

Imprimis. I restore my Soul to Almighty God who gave it hoping for Redemption thro' the merits and mediation of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and desire that my body may be decently interred.

Item. I will and bequeath to my good and well beloved friend Mrs Elizabeth Bywatter the Summ of three hundred current Rupees.

Item. I will and bequeath the remainder of my Estate to be remitted by Bill of Exchange to my Honoured Mother Joan Smith, Relict of Thomas Smith, to be by her enjoyed during her life time, and on her Decease to be equally divided amongst my Brothers and Sisters Thomas Smith, John Smith, Samuell Smith, Philip Smith, Mary Smith and Anne Smith, or as many of them as shall be then alive, and I do hereby request that Mr William Spinckes will be my

[1] She came out on the *St. George* in 1714 to join her husband, a soldier, see Vol. II, pt. 1, pp. 342, 363.

Trustee to this my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seale in Cullcutta this eighth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighteen.

Signed, Sealed and published (where no stampt paper is to be had) in the presence of us.
Edwd Ange.
Thos Braddyll.

Elizabeth Westmacott

Seal.

1178.—DISPOSAL OF 3432 BAGS OF SALTPETRE.

Monday, July 28th.

Mr James Williamson Exportwarehousekeeper now advises that there is remaining in the Godowns three thousand four hundred thirty and two baggs of Salt Petre and requests we will take into consideration how to dispose the same for the speediest dispatch of our Shipping, in case it should be late in the season before a larger quantity may be procured of Merchants from Patna. The Gentlemen at Fort St George advise us in their Letter dated the 7th June they shall dispatch two Shipps home in October if supply'd with Salt Petre, one of which Shipps (as they are nott nominated) must be from the West Coast, the other two *Grantham* and *King George* being both bound hither with treasure and the *Bouverie* on her Country Voyage; in the same letter they advise they have by them seven hundred Baggs of Petre.

Wherefore AGREED we now lade on the *Metchlapatam* the Honble Companys Ship eight hundred baggs more which with the pepper they fill up with at Madrass will be sufficient Kintillage for the *Derby* and the other may proceed with her Iron Kintillage and filled up with pepper, as we are informed all Ships bound to the West Coast are provided with, which will not only avoid our overlading your Honours with more Petre than required (as you direct in your 12th paragraph of your Generall letter per *Heathcote* dated the 30th October 1717 but also enable us to give one thousand baggs to the *Mary* who is now with us, which Captain Holden declares now before this board is sufficient, and the remainder for the *Heathcote* Capt. Tolson to be sent away early in December having thirteen hundred bales and Chests already packt in the house.

1179.—BROWNE AND BARKER GO TO PATNA.

Monday, July 28th.

The 23rd Mr Browne took his departure from hence for Patna with Messrs Barker and Harwood.

1180.—VIZAGAPATAM TREASURE SENT ON THE *METCHLAPATAM.*

Thursday July 31st.

There being two chests of Treasure in the Warehouse which came on the *Mary* Captain Holden, consigned to Mr Robert Symonds Cheif &c[a] Councill at Vizagapatam which Ship by Stress of weather put by that Port, and the Honble Companys Ship *Metchlapatam* now being bound for Fort St George.

AGREED That said Treasure be laden on board her, and Orders given to Captain Charles Skervin to touch at that Port, and deliver the same with what other necessarys now received for that Settlement, that they may meet no Check in their Investment for want of money.

1181.—DEPOSITION OF ELIZABETH BOWRIDGE.

Thursday July 31st.

Mrs Elizabeth Bowridge Relict of Mr William Bowridge deceased, formerly in the service of the Honble English East India Company in Bengall being desirous to tender her Oath concerning the Age of her Son William Bowridge on account of a dispute depending in Chancery, which cant be ended till her Sons age is truly known, She now appearing before us the President and Councill in Fort William in Bengall and being sworne on the Holy Evangelists doth depose that her Son William Bowridge was born Tuesday the 6th of August in the Year of our Lord Sixteen hundred and ninety five between eight and nine of the Clock at night in this Town of Calcutta which is Registred and wrote by her deceased Husbands own hand in the leaf of her small Bible which leaf she has now by her.

1182.—IMPORTWAREHOUSEKEEPER TO MAKE AN OUTCRY.

Monday August 11th.

Mr John Deane Importwarehousekeeper reporting that there are severall peices of Broad Cloth in the Warehouse very much damaged, that came upon the *Heathcote* which will spoil more by lying,

ORDERD That they be put up to sale at publick Outcry as soon as possible.

1183.—GROUND RENT OF SŪTĀNUṬĪ AND CALCUTTA.[1]

Monday August 11th.

Sookdeb Crowree [Sukhdeva *karoṛī*] demanding three hundred twenty rupees eight anaes Sicca, for four months Ground Rent of Chuttanuttee [Sūtānuṭī] De [*Dih*] Calcutta in the Purgunna of Amieravad (Amīrābād) due the 1st instant.

AGREED the President pay the same and present the Collector with one rupee.

[1]See urther payments on August 18th, and October 9th, §§ 1185, 1219.

1184.—DUTY OF TWO PER CENT ON ALL TRADE EXPORTED.

Monday August 11th.

According to an Order of Consultation dated July the 14th we having since maturely considered the properest method for collecting the Duty of two per Cent on all private trade exported from this Port,

It is AGREED that all Owners of Ships pay the same on the foot of their Invoices for all Goods (Grain excepted which already pays three and halfe per Cent both from the Seller and Buyer), and that all Europeans under the Honble Companys Protection be acquainted with this our Order by publick notice of the same being hung upon our Fort Gates. And that in case any Goods whatsoever be clandestinely run belonging to the Captains or any other Officer or Sailor without first paying said Duty which shall afterwards appear to have been either by consent or knowledge of the Master of such Ship, that one full halfe of the value of such Goods shall be forfeited, or the Captain or Master loose their Employ and be sent to England.

It is farther AGREED that the Secretary do Collect this Revenue from all Ships before he deliver their Passes or Pilotts Orders and pay the same as collected into the Honble Companys Cash.

Copy of Publick Order hung upon the Gates.

This is to give Publick Notice to all Companys Servants Free Merchants Supra Cargoes Captains and other Officers of Ships and Vessells, and all other Persons whatsoever whom it may concern that whereas the Honble Company have been pleased to order a Duty of two per Cent Consulage on all Private Trade exported from this Port, It is hereby Orderd and Required by the Honble Samuell Feake Esqr President and Governour of Fort William &cr. Councill that the foresaid two per Cent be paid on the foot of all Invoices for all Goods (Grain excepted) exported and that all Supra Cargoes Captains or Mates of Vessells and others do render an exact Account of the true Amount of their Invoices to the Secretary for the time being, who is to collect the said Duty with the Pass money and tunnage and not to deliver any Pass or Pilots Order till it be paid and that in case any Goods be clandestinely run belonging to the Captains or any other Officer or Sailor or any other person whatsoever without first paying said Duty which shall afterwards appear to have been either by consent or knowledge of the Master or Officer of such Ship or Vessell, that one full halfe of the value of such Goods shall be forfeited or the Captain or Master or Owner of said Goods loose his Employ and be sent to England. Dated in Fort William the 12th Aug. 1718.

By order of the Govr and Councill,

W. Collett, Secry

1185.—GROUND RENT OF GOVINDPUR.

Monday August 18th.[1]

Benoodram Crowree [Binodrāma *karori*] demanding thirty seven Rupees Six Anaes Sicca for four months Ground rent of Govindpore [Govindpur] in the Purgunna [*pargana*] of Calcutta in Jaffer Cauns jageer [Ja'far Khān's *jāgīr*][2] due the 1st Instant.

AGREED The President pay the same.

1186.—WILL OF JOHN BARNES.

Monday August 18th.

The last Will and Testament of John Barnes was now produced by John Sugar the Executor thereof and proved.

Copy of John Barnes Will.

In the Name of God Amen I John Barns of Callicotta in the Kingdom of Bengal Mariner being sick and weak in Body and perfect of mind and memory praysed be the Lord but considering the uncertainty [of] this transitory life do heer by make and declare this to bee my last Will and Testament furst and principibly I recomend my Soul to Almighty God that gave it hoping in and tro' the merits of my deere sweet blessed Jesus Christ to receue eternal Saluation and as touching such wordly Effects as God Almighty hate been plesed to bestow upon me I give deuise bequeath the same to my well beloved frind John Sugar heerby declaring desiring and apoint him the said John Sugar to bee full and sole Executer to this my last Will and Testement and heerby reuoking disanuling and making void all other Will bequest or legaesis be me heere to fore mad giuin or bequeated deliuering this and no other to be my last Will and testement in witnes wherof I the same John Barns testator have heer and to this my last Will and Testement set my hand and seal this eight and twenteth day of July anno Domine 1718 Callicotta above said is

signed sealed published declard and pronounced by me John Barns Testator to be for as my last Will and testement in the presens of us where no stamt papers to be had.

Patrick Duharlay.
W. Giddings.
Albertus Van Ermelon.

Jon Barns (Seal.)

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[1] The moon was new on August 15, and August 17, or 18, was the *Idu-l-fitr*.

[2] It appears from the references in the Consultations of February 16 and September 4, 1704, *English in Bengal*, I, 240, 255, that at the time that the English purchased 'the *zamīndārī* rights of the three villages they formed part of the *jāgīr* of Prince 'Azimu-sh-Shān. From the present entry and from what follows it appears that the *jāgīr* had passed to Ja'fa Khān By 1718. In 1718 the *jāgīr* belonged to Farrukhsiyar. See April 28 and July 6, *English in Bengal* II. I, 116, 126, §§ 726, 749.

1187.—JOHN DEANE TO BE CHEIF OF COSSIMBUZAR FACTORY.

Monday August 18th.

Mr Edward Page lately returned from Cossimbuzar by permission as per Order of Consultation dated the 7th of July for the recovery of his health finding his indisposition not sufficiently relieved to take charge of his Post as Cheif of Cossimbuzar and there being a present necessity for a proper Person being sent up in order to visitt the Nabob at Muxoodavad [Maqṣūdābād], for want of which we have no answer to our several letters sent him.

Agreed that Mr John Deane do gett himselfe in a readiness to proceed Cheif of that Factory that what remains of our Investment there may meet with no check or delay, but be forwarded with all expedition down to us.

1188.—EUROPE PACKET RECEIVED PER *GRANTHAM*.

Wednesday August 20th.

Just now arrived Mr Richard Eyre and Captain Thomas Collet and brought up the *Granthams* Packet, containing Companys Generale Letter to Bengall dated 8th January 1717-18 etc.

1189.—ARRIVAL OF WRITERS.

August 20th.

Messrs Edward Pomfrett, William Beresford, Solomon Margas William Davis, Charles Bedford, Thomas Unwin, Nathaniell Hall the Honble Companys Writers who came upon the *Grantham* arrived now and produced their Covenants in Councill by which their time is to commence from the arrivall of the first that came here which was the 4th of July but their Sallary from this day, and their station is to be according to the List now receiv'd in the Packet which is the Companys standing Order.

1190.—SIGNATURE OF EUROPE AND MADRAS LETTERS.

Thursday August 21st.

The President having prepared a Generall Letter to be sent by way of Madrass to the Honble Court of Directors which being now brought in and perused.

Order'd It be transcribed fair to be forwarded by the Honble Companys Ship *Metchlapatam*.

1191.—WILL OF FRANCIS BENECHE.

Monday August 25th.

The last Will and Testament of Francis Beneche was now produced by Nicholas Pamphilon one of the Executors thereof and proved.

Copy of Francis Beneche's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I Francis Bennich of Calcutta in the Kingdome of Bengall Merchant being sick and weake in body but of sound and perfect

mind and memory thanks be to God, and considering the uncertainty of this transitory life do hereby make and declare this to be my last Will and Testament First and principally I recomend my Soule to God that gave itt, Hopeing in and through the meritts of my Deare Sweeted Blessed Jesus Christ to receive eternall Salvation, my body I comitt to the Earth to be decently buried att the discretion of my Executors here after named, and as touching such worldly Estate as God Almighty hath been pleased to bestow upon me I give devise and bequeath the same as followeth Imprimis after my debts and Funerall Charges paid and satisfyed, I give devise and bequeath, First, to my dear Child Lewis Bennich, all my wearing Apparell, one Cott with all the Furniture thereunto belonging, Six Chairs, a Table and five Spoons Silver with ye Slave Girle named Diana Item. I give and bequeath to Mr Robert Hanson to weare in remembrance of me a Gold Ring and to Mr Nicolo Pamphilion a Gold Ring to weare in Remembrance of me, and as touching and concerning my Dwelling or Cohabitting House, I give devise and bequeath the same share and share alike to my well beloved Wife Marseilles Bennick and my Son Lewis Bennick, but in case of the alteration of her Condition, her share to be wholly Forfeited and to have noe manner of pretension or demands thereunto, The Rest Residue and Remainder of all whatsoever I dye stand possessed or Interessed in, I Give devise and bequeath to my deare Wife Marseilla Bennick and with the same. desireing her to see the Child well brought upp and educated, and I hereby nominate Declare and appoint my Good Freinds Robert Hanson and Nicolo Pamphilion Executors to this my last Will and Testament, declaring this and none other to be my last Will and Testament hereby Revoaking Disannulling and makeing void all former and other Wills bequests or Legacys by me heretofore made bequeathed or given, In Witnesse Whereof I the said Francis Bennick Testator have hereunto sett my hand and Seale this Fourth day of May Anno Domini one thousand seaven hundred and Eighteene In Callicutta abovesaid.

Signed Sealed Published Declared and pronounced by the said Francis Bennick Testator to be for and as his last Will and Testament In the Presence of us

Francois Bénéch. (Seal.)

Antony Phillips[y] his name
Gilbert Cornelisze[1]
Jam^s^ Wignall Serj.

1192.—NO ANSWER FROM THE NABOB.

Thursday August 28th.

The 25th instant we received a Letter from Messrs Crisp and Hampton at Cossimbuzar per Cossid [*qāṣṣid*] overland dated the 21st. They advise that the Vacqueel [*vakīl*] had delivered our Letter to the Nabob Jaffercaun [Ja'far Khān] about the Hugly House and that he had read it but gave no answer.

[1] Keepers of punch houses.

1193.—DEANE TO MAKE OVER CHARGE TO PAGE.

Monday September 1st.[1]

Mr John Deane being appointed Cheif of Cossimbuzar in Consultation the 18th Ulto Orderd That he deliver up the Charge of the Importwarehouse to Mr Edward Page.

Account of Goods remaining upon Ballance in the Import Warehouse.

Broad Cloth fine in Pieces			Ps.	581	
Broad Cloth fine by retaile			Yds.	320.	n. 4
Broad Cloth Aurora in Pieces			Ps.	796	
Broad Cloth Aurora by retaile			Yds.	320.	8
Broad Cloth Ordy in Pieces			Ps.	2138	
Broad Cloth Ordy by retaile			Yds.	630.	13
Callimancoes fine in Pieces			Ps.	548	
Callimancoes fine by retaile			Yds.	97.	13
Callimancoes Ordy in Pieces			Ps.	321	
Cuttlary Ware					
Seizzars			22		
Ivory handled knives ...	20				
Silver Do ...	12				
Redwood & Ebbony ...	12				
		44			
Penknives plain ...	11				
Do Glass handled ...	1				
Do Ivery Silver ferr'e ...	1				
		13	Ps.	79	
Fire Arms					
Pistolls	2				
Blunderbusses	7				
Fuzzees	1				
Musquettoons	5				
Carbines	1				
			Ps.	16	
Lead Viz.					
Cast 1 md. 9 sr.					
Mill'd 32 sr. 14 ch.					
Slabbs			mds.	939.	24.
Goods bot of the New Company					
Looking Glasses ...	3				
Beams and Scales ...	3				
Iron weights	153				
Brass Do ...	lb. 442				
Flintware			lb.	3836.	15

[1] There was a total eclipse of the moon on August 30, lasting from about 1 A.M. to 2-30 A.M.

Goods receed from Banjar
Weights 28 Scales 2 pr.

Goods bo^{t} of the Old Company				sr. ch.
Red Lead			...	mds. 1787-11-2½
Gold Touches and Touchstone—				
Touches 2, Touchstone ...	1			
Rarietys				
Triangle Glasses ...	6			
Tellescopes	4			
Spectacles	1			
		——		Ps. 11
Velvets and Silks	Yds.			
Velvets	96. 8½			
Silks	228. 6½			
Redwood	maunds 2356. 5. 10			
Druggets in Pieces			...	Stuff 19
Druggets by retaile			...	Yds. 66. 3
Military Stores				
				Byonets 94.
Worsted Cambletts in Pieces ...			...	Ps. 14
Worsted Cambletts by retaile ...			...	Yds. 213. 6
Broad Cloth Imbost in P^{s} ...			...	Ps. 16
Broad Cloth Imbost by retaile ...			...	Yds. 38. 7
Perpettuanoes fine in Pieces ...			...	Ps. 672
Perpettuanoes ordinary in Pieces			...	Ps. 771
Gold and Silver Thread				
Gold 4 quills, Silver 1 quill				
Perpettuanoes ordinary by retaile			...	Yds. 67. 3
				oz.
Flint Ware			...	lb. 2147. 5. 4
Warehouse Necessarys			...	Ps. 295
White Lead			...	Mds. 77. 8. 7
Looking Glasses			...	32
Gold Orris			...	Yds. 11. 14
Perpetuanoes fine by retaile ...			...	„ 3. 4
Madrass Rupees 18 Chests ea. q^{t} 8000 is			...	„ 144000
Silver Lace			...	lb. 12. 3. 16¼

Tents 2 & Banquetting Houses 2.

FORT WILLIAM,
September 1st 1718.

JOHN DEANE, Imp. W. H. Keeper

I accept of the Above ballance
Edwd Page,
Imp. W. H. Keeper.

1194.—CHARLES BEDFORD, WRITER, TO GO TO COSSIMBUZAR.

Thursday
September 4th.

ORDERD That Mr Charles Bedford Writer do get himself ready to proceed with Mr John Deane to Cossimbuzar to assist in the business of that Factory.

1195.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR JULY, 1718.[1]

Thursday
September 4th.

Abstract of Capt. Dallibars Company

2	Lieutenants at 35 per mo. ...	...	70
1	Ensigne ...	...	24
1	Gentleman at Arms	...	20
1	Marshall ...	...	20
6	Serjeants at 20 ...	...	120
7	Corporalls ...	...	84½
5	Drummers ...	...	59
74	Europeans ...	...	595
2	Rounders ...	...	12
30	Portugueze ...	...	150
1	Serjt come from Madras ...		20
	Rupees	...	1174½

On Command at Cossimbuzar

1	Serjeant
1	Drummer
11	Europeans
1	Rounder
144	

Abstract of Capt. Hunts Company

2	Lieutenants @ 35 per mo. ...	...	70
1	Ensigne[2] ...	...	24
8	Serjeants @ 20	...	160
8	Corporalls ,, 13	...	104
1	Drum Major ...	...	20
5	Drummers ,, 13	...	65
61	Europeans ,, 10—610		
30	Ditto ½ mo. 10—150	...	760
2	Rounders ...	...	12
20	Portugueze at 5 per mo	...	100
	Rupees	...	1315

On command at Cossimbuzar.

5	Europeans.
143	

1196.—OPEN HOSTILITIES WITH ANGRIA.[3]

Thursday
September 11th.

We received also herewith [*i.e.*, with the Packet from Madras] a Generall Letter from the Governour and Councill of Bombay dated the 12th of June advising that they have been obliged to come to an open Rupture with Caunojee Angria for his severall Insults and Hostilitys committed against them and that they had sent some force, who had made severall inroads into his Country with good Success, and had plundered and razed severall of his towns, and further advise that the *Des Bouverie* Captain Thomas Wotton Commander imported there the 5th of June having lost his Passage to Persia.

1197.—CAPTAIN WOTTON LOSES HIS PASSAGE TO PERSIA.

Tuesday
September 11th.

We receiv'd likewise a Letter from Captain Thomas Wotton on board Ship *Bouverie* in Bombay Harbour dated June the 11th wherein he advises that he had mett with very contrary winds and hard Gales most part of his voyage, insomuch

[1] Compare the Muster Rolls for January, 1718. § 1083 above.

[2] John Gulielmus, appointed ensign, *vice* Goodwin July 7, § 1160.

[3] See § 1242, p. 90, further on.

that finding no likelyhood of gaining his passage for Persia and taking the opinion of his Officers he at last bore away for Bombay where he arrived the 5th of June.

Copy of Captain Wotton's Letter.

To the Honble. Samuell Feake Esqr.
Govr. &c^a Councill of Fort William.
Honble Sir &c^a Sirs.

By this opportunity I take leave to acquaint your Honr. &c^a Srs. of our arrivall here in the Port (June 5th) after a tedious and most troublesome passage in endeavouring to gain our passage to our designed Port of Gombroon.

I advised your Honr &c^a Srs by the Heathcot whom we mett in 4d. 30m., So Lattd. and about 2d. W. of the S. E. part of Zeloan after which we had indifferent winds with which we stood to the W. ward so as by our Accounts to be very near the three Irmanoes Islands and notwithstanding I beleive your Honrs. &c^a Srs will allow that we were then in a very good Meridian to gain our Passage and to stand to the No. ward, yet I being willing to have the advantage of a very frank wind would have kept more W.ly but the winds took us W.ly and in the S.W. board, which obliged us to hall to the No. ward and when we drew near the Aquinochial we had the winds often to the No. ward of the W. (with very uncertain weather with which winds we severall times tackt, and stood to the S. W. after which finding the wind and weather variable thought it might be owing to our being near the Aquinochial as is common in most parts of the Globe We stood to the No. ward greatly in expectation of the wind and weather favouring us instead of which we found the reverse insomuch that from near the Aquinochial to about 13d. N. Lattid. we had mostly hard Gales W.ly and often to the No. ward of the W. with most tempestuous gusts in hard Squalls, as also a great Sea W.ly and to the No. ward of the Wt. which made our Ship labour and plunge very deep and oft put us by great part and sometimes the greatest part of our Sails, from which Lattd. we kept close upon a wind with fresh gales and a considerable Sea from the W. ward into the Lattd. of about 22d. 30m. N. in which I have formerly found Cape Rasalgate to lie, at which time I made 27d. 57m. W. my Cheif mate 30d. 2m. W. and my 2nd. mate 28d. 15m. W. from the S.E. part of Zeloan, notwithstanding which saw no Land and by the great Sea and our Variation had no reason to believe we were so near as to beat up to Windward so as to make the said Cape, so that I thought, as it was also the opinion of my Officers it was most proper to bear away for this Port.

At our Arrivall here we found our Agent the Worpll. Arthur Beavis, who thought it most proper to make his escape clandestinely on Account the Warrs between the Persians and Arrabs, the perticulars of which your Honr. &c^a Sirs will have from the Government here Who are capable to give you a more perfect Account.

I shoud be very glad if this opportunity afforded me a Conveyance for a Letter to our Honble. Masters to be sent by the first Ship your Honr. &c^a Sirs dispatch for Europe, but as it will not I doubt not but your Honr. &c^a Sirs will please to inform them of our Ship.

I am not as yet acquainted from the Government here what their Intentions are relateing to any thing of the Affairs of Persia so conclude as with all respect I am

Honble Sir and Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servant,
Thomas Wotton.

Ship *Bouverie*
in Bombay Harbour
June 11th 1718.

1198.—CHARGES ALLOWED IN THE PATNA FACTORY.

Thursday September 11th

Having taken into Consideration how to settle the Charges of Patna Residency so that our Honourable Masters may be at no more expence than what is absolutely necessary we have thought fitt to regulate it as followeth Viz.

	Rs.	
Peraun [Prān] Broker	15	per month
1 Mirda [*murda*]	3	„
2 Chubbdars [*chobdārs*]	6	„
Kismutgars [*khidmatgārs*]	8	„
Washermen	4	„
Cohars [*kahārs*]	12	„
Barber	2. 8	„
Crutchburdar [*kharch bardār*] & Hollolcore [*halālkhor*]	5	„
Gurrally [*ghariālā*]	6	„
Dussauds [*dosāds*]	8	„
Fross [*farrāsh*]	4	„
Mussallchy [*mash'ālchi*]	2	„
Flagg bearers	2. 8	„
Cooks and butlers	10	„
Molleys [*mālis*] 2	4	„
Roopchund Vacqueell [Rupchand *vakil*] ...	50	„
Dyett Viz.—		
Mr Browne	40	„
Mr Stephenson	20	„
Mr Barker	20	„
Mr Harwood	20	„
Charges Cattle 1 horse for the Cheif ...	9	„

Peons to be entertained and discharged just as ye necessity of Affaires require.

1199.—DEATH OF WILLIAM BERESFORD.

September 11th.

The 8th instant Mr William Beresford[2] writer in the Honble Companys Service departed this life.

[1] *Murda farash*, a sweeper, a low caste man.
[2] Arrived writer July 4, 1718, See § 1189.

1200.—ZAMĪNDĀRI ACCOUNT FOR JULY, 1718.

Monday September 15th.[1]

Jemendar's [*zamīndār's*] Account for July brought in by Mr William Spencer.

Perticulars, Viz.—

		r.	a.	p.
By	Gain on Cowries	65	4	
,,	Ground Rent	1055	5	
,,	Duty on Grain &c.	111	7	
,,	Màngon [*mangan*]	247	3	9
,,	Weighmen	124	5	9
,,	Moldarry [*māldāri*]	3	14	
,,	Fish &c.	191	10	3
,,	Fish	2	11	6
,,	Wood	7	15	6
,,	Potts	1	2	
,,	Caulkers	36	4	6
,,	Bannians [*banyans*]	6	9	3
,,	Brammins [*Brahmans*]	2	5	6
,,	Ferry Boates	7	4	6
,,	Hoggs	1	1	6
,,	Cotton Beaters		14	9
,,	Butty [*bheṭī*]	7	5	
,,	Conjee [*kānji*]		9	6
,,	Laying Boates ashoar	3	1	3
,,	Jan Buzzar	19	4	9
,,	Suba Buzzar	69	9	9
,,	Begum Buzzar	25	9	3
,,	Sealing Wax	18	12	
,,	Market	232	3	9
,,	Delolly [*dallāli*] of the Market	2	13	
,,	Duty of Rice exported	188	9	9
,,	Sale of Houses	37	12	9
,,	Sallammee [*salāmī*] of Pottahs [*paṭṭas*] ...	27	8	3
,,	Recovery of Debts	67	6	3
,,	Peons Fees	101	12	
,,	Marriages	124	8	
,,	Fines	80	4	6
,,	Bang	67	1	6
,,	Sale of Boys	39	9	6
,,	Catwalley [*koṭwāli*]	18	9	9
		2998	7	3[2]
	Deduct for charges ...	355	8	9
	Rupees	2642	14	6

[1] September 13 was the *Mahālaya*.

[2] The total should be 2997-13-3, and the correct balance is therefore Rs. 2641-4-6.

1201.—ESTATES OF FOUR DECEASED PERSONS.

Monday September 15th.

Mr John Deane late Buxey [*bakhshi*] now brought in the Accounts of the following deceased Persons Estates, the ballance of which was this day paid into the Honble Companys Cash and the Accounts are entred below after this consultation.

Richard Drew ...	...	...	421 9 9
Roger Young ...	...	...	2554 7 3
Richard Powney	...	...	111 9
Thomas Milward	...	...	170 - 6
		Rupees	3257 10 6

1. *Estate of Richard Drew Deceased.*

Dr.

To Cash paid Mr Harry Clare ...		13 12	
,, do. paid Dr Harvey his bill for attendance & Medicines		23	
,, Funerall Charges		25	
,, Servants' Wages pd.		6 10	
,, Cash pd. the Soldiers that attended him in his sickness ...		4 10 6	
,, Commission 5 p. c. on 122. 8 ...		6 1	
,, Ballance pd. into the Hon. Comp. Cash		421 9 9	
Rupees		499 11 3	

Cr.

By Cash received of Mr Baron Jeffs	122 8	
,, the amount of his Outcry ...	377 3 3	
	499 11 3	

Errors Expected pr John Deane Buxey.

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2. *Estate of Capt. Roger Young deceased.*

Dr.

To Dr Oliver Coutts Respondentia bond—principall 500			
Advance 30 p. c. ... 150		650	
,, Victor Shaw respondentia bond Principall 2,000			
Advance 30 p. c. ... 600		2,600	
,, John Rainbows Respondentia bond— Principall 300			
Advance 30 p. c. ... 90		390	
,, Isaac Berkleys Respondentia bond— Principall 1,500			
Advance 30 p. c. ... 450		1950	
,, Int. on Isaac Berkleys 1950 for 2m 4d @ 1 p. c. per month ...		41 8	
,, Cash pd. for Cooly hire		1 3	
,, do. to ye Sarang & Lascars of Brigantine *Speedwell*		148 10	
,, Dr Coult's bill for 6 galls Canary		24	
,, Cash pd Peter Willibooris ...		250	
,, Commission 5 p. c. on 7955. 9		397 12	
,, Ballance pd into the Hon. Comp. Cash		2554 7 3	
Rupees		9007 8 3	

Cr.

By Cash found in his Chest 10 french Crowns sold for ...	25 5 6	
,, Brigantine *Speedwell* sold for 2970 his half	1485	
,, Ballance of Peter Willibooris his Account	5606 7	
,, Gold received of Peter Willibooris pz Sicca 76. 14. 6 at 10. 14. 6 per Sicca wt	838 12 6	
,, the amount of his Goods sold at Outcry as per Account ...	1051 15 3	
Rupees ...	9007 8 3	

Errors Excepted pr Johne Deane Buxey.

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3. *Estate of Richard Powney deceased.*

Dr.			Cr.		
To an Outcry Note	16		By the Amount of his Outcry ...	133	12 6
„ a Note under his hand to Mary Bendon	21	12	„ Cash found in his Chest ...	15	8 6
„ Ballance pd into the Honble Comp. Cash	111	9	Rupees	149	5
Rup.	149	5			

Errors Excepted pr John Deane Buxey.

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4. *Estate of Thomas Milvard Deceased.*

Dr.			Cr.		
To Mr Henry Frankland pd him ...	200		By Cash received of John Dewberry	9	12
„ Cash pd for his Lodging	6	4	„ the Amount of his Outcry ...	580	10
„ do. for his funeral Charges ...	34	8	Rup.	590	6
„ a Note under his hand to Francis Bennett	55				
„ do. to Robt. Hanson	28				
„ do. to Thos. Howell	4	6 6			
„ Mr. Bergees Bill	92	3			
„ Ballance pd into the Hon. Comp. Cash	170	6			
Rup.	590	6			

Errors Excepted pr John Deane Buxey.

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1202.—PROHIBITION OF TRADE WITH FOREIGNERS.

Merchants not to trade with foreigners. Bonds of Rs. 5000 each to be given.

Monday September 15th

There being two large French Shipps arrived in Balasore Road and the dearness of Cotton this year being a great check to our Investment coming in.

AGREED that we send for all our Merchants and give them publick notice that in case any one or more amongst them do in any wise provide or sell any manner of Goods whatever to any other Nation as Dutch or French that we will assuredly use the utmost severity and not only turn them and their families out of our Town but make further Examples of them.

This we judge very requisite to prevent any abuses that may be made of our Honble Masters Dusticks [*dastaks*], and as a further security Orderd that the Broker take an Obligation from each Merchant that upon discovery of any Goods being landed at any Place whatever excepting Calcutta that comes from any Arung with our Dustick that the Merchant to whom they belong shall pay the sum of five thousand rupees for the first offence which bonds are to be lodged in Charge of the President.

1203.—MARRIAGE OF MICHAEL COTESWORTH.

Monday September 15th. This day Mr Michael Cotesworth Junior Merchant in the Honble Compas Service was married to Mrs Elizabeth Penuse.

1204.—DEANE LEAVES FOR COSSIMBAZAR.

Thursday September 18th.[1] The 16th Mr John Deane took his leave of this Board, and departed from hence with his family, and Mr Charles Bedford Writer for Cossimbuzar.

1205.—CIVILITIES IN BIHAR.

Monday September 22nd The 20th at night we received a Letter from Mr Samuell Browne dated the 7th at Futtua [Fatūhā], adviseing of his arrivall there the 5th instant with the boats and every thing in good Order, having mett with great civilitys from the Government all the way up, without any expence except a triffling Present to the Phowsdar [*faujdār*] of Mungeer [Munger] for his assisting the boates to pass by that Fort.

1206.—ATTACK ON ORMUS CASTLE.[2]

Thursday October 2nd. We received [*via* Madras] two Generall Letters from the Govr. and Councill of Bombay one dated the 24th of July the other the 5th of August wherein they advise us they have no news from the Factory at Gombroon, but are informed from Muscat that the Arrabs mett with such considerable losses in their attacks against Ormus Castle that they retreated but were fitting out three Ships with a large reinforcement to carry on their designs against that place, they further advise that they have taken out the Gurrahs [*garhās*] and Turmerick designed for Gombroon[3] upon the *Desbouverie* and shall dispose of it bearing a tolerable price at Bombay and bring the produce to the Creditt of our Account Current.

[1] September 19 was the Durga *Pūjā*.

[2] The Portuguese citadel near the mouth of the Persian Gulf.

[3] Now Bandar Abbas.

1207.—ARRANGEMENTS AT PATNA.

Monday October 6th. The 2nd instant received a Letter from Mr Samuell Browne Cheif and Mr Hugh Barker at Patna dated the 20th Ulto advising us of their having taken possession of the Ground granted to the Honble Company by the Kings Royall Phirmaund [*farmān*], They have vizitted the Nabob and were received with great Civility, the Nabob declared in the presence of the whole Duan [*dīwān*] that he had forgiven the English the usuall Yearly Pishcash [*peshkash*], and they might buy and sell and go on with their business without the least molestation.

They further advise that the Subah [*ṣūbahdār*] expects a handsome present Yearly, as in the time of Agent Charnock, this undoubtedly must be complyed with the first Season on settling the Factory, but we shall write the Gentlemen at Patna that they use their utmost efforts that it may not become a custome annually, and that they give their present in Europe Manufactory.

1208.—OLD COWRIES NOT WORTH BUYING.

1718 Thursday October 9th. The 7th we received a Letter from Mr John Deane Cheif &c. at Cossimbuzar dated the 3rd instant advising of Mr Deanes arrivall there the 1st. They advise us there is a quantity of Cowries [*kauṛīs*] which may be procured at reasonable terms and have sent a Muster of them which we have examined and find to be most dead Shells and old Cowries [*kauṛīs*] that have been some time buried in the Ground, therefore dont think them proper for a Europe Market, and shall write Mr Deane &c. not to buy them.

1209.—FRANKLAND TO GET THE SALTPETRE AT HUGLI.

Thursday October 9th. We being informed that there is a quantity of Salt Petre lately arrived Hugly to be disposed of.

Ordered That Mr Henry Frankland do go up and endeavour to secure it before the French or Portugueeze get tidings of the same, who we hear are in quest of that Commodity for Kintilage.[1]

1210.—GROUND RENT OF GOVINDPUR.

Thursday October 9th. Mohaudeb Crowree [Mahādeva *karoṛī*] demanding seventy one sicca rupees for four months Ground Rent due in August for the part of Govindpore [Govindpur] in the Purgunna [*parganā*] of Pican.

Agreed The President pay the same.

[1] Kentledge, pig iron used as permanent ballast.

1211.—NO SALTPETRE AT HUGLI.

Thursday October 16th.[1]

Mr Henry Frankland being returned from Hugly informs us that it was only a false report given out about the Salt Petre for there is none yet arrived.

1212.—DEATH OF PAGE.[2] SPENCER TO TAKE CHARGE OF IMPORT WAREHOUSE.

Thursday October 30th.

Mr Edward Page third at this board having after a tedious sickness, departed this life the 27th in the night, who had the charge of the Import Warehouse, that Post is thereby become vacant, and Mr Frankland who is next in Succession to it designing for England this year upon the *Grantham*.

Agreed That Mr William Spencer do examine the ballance and take the charge of that Warehouse.

1213.—WILL OF EDWARD PAGE.

Thursday October 30th.

After Mr Edward Page his decease the Governour in company with the Buxey [*bakhshi*] opened his writing Escrutore wherein they found a Letter sealed up and directed to Mr Henry Frankland wherein was enclosed his last Will and Testament which Mr Henry Frankland (who is appointed Trustee in India) now laid before us, it being above two years since he wrote it, the two Witnesses Thomas Breese and James Tokefield are both since dead, but as the Will does plainly appear to us written all with his own hand, his Mother made whole Heir and Executrix, we cant judge it otherwise than his true intent and designe, Wherefore

Agreed That Mr Henry Frankland take possession of his Effects and follow the direction of the Will as much as if the above Witnesses had been living and sworn and the Will be registred after this Consultation.

Copy of Mr. Page's Will.

Know all Men by these Presents that I Edward Page of Calcutta being in perfect mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of this Life, Do hereby make and appoint my Hond. Mother Jane Blomer to be my sole Heir and Executrix, and allso appoint Mr Henry Frankland to

[1] The moon was new on October 13.

[2] Arrived Junior Merchant, August 17, 1710.

be my Trustee of this my last Will and Testament. Witness my Hand and Seale this 20th Day of February in Calcutta $17\frac{15}{16}$

Edward Page. (Seal.)

Signed and Sealed in the presence of us
where no stampt paper is to be had.
Thos Breese.
Jams Tokefield.

1214.—WILL OF ROBERT FOX.

Monday November 10th.

The last Will and Testament of Robert Fox deceased was now produced by Mr Peter Dent one of the Witnesses thereof and proved.

Copy of Robert Fox's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I Robert Fox of Cullcutta in the Kingdom of Bengall Soldier being very sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it and for my body I recommend it to the earth to be buried in a Christianlike and decent manner at the discretion of my Executrix nothing doubting but att the generall Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such wordly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this Life I give devise and dispose of in ye following manner and form my just Debts first paid.

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my Slave woman Romana her liberty with all her Cloaths Joys &c: what shall belong unto her.

Item I give unto my well beloved ffriend Romana whom I constitute and appoint my onely and Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament all and singular my lands goods and Slaves by her freely to be enjoyed and possessed and I doe hereby utterly disallow and revoke all former Wills Testaments Legacies or Executors and Executrix's by me in any ways named Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament. In Wittness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seal this Eleventh day January 1717-18.

Robert Fox (Seal.)

Signed Seald and Deliver'd
where Stampt paper is not to
be had in the presence of us
Jno. Osbaldeston
Peter Dent.

1215.—ARRIVALL OF GOODS FROM COSIMBUZAR.

Thursday November 13th.[1]

The 11th arrived four Wollocks [*ulāks*][2] from Cossimbuzar with thirty one Chests of Taffatys [*tāftah*][3] Jamwars [*jāmahwārs*] and Silk Romalls [*rūmāls*] on Account the Hon'ble Company.

1216.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR OCTOBER 1718.[4]

Monday November 17th.

Mr Henry Frankland Bukey [*bakhshī*] now brought in the Musters of the two Companys of Soldiers mustered and paid for the month of October.

Abstract of Capt. Henry Dallibars Compa			
1	Lieutenant ...	...	35
1	Ensigne ...	...	24
1	Gentleman of Arms	...	20
1	Marshall ...	...	20
4	Serjeants ...	...	80
4	Corporalls ...	...	52
4	Drummers ...	...	46
37	Europeans ...	...	370
1	Rounder ...	...	6
17	Portugueze ...	...	85
71	Rup.	...	738
	On Command at Patna		
1	Lieutenant ...	...	35
3	Serjeants ...	...	60
4	Corporalls ...	...	52
2	Drummers ...	...	26
40	Europeans ...	...	400
1	Rounder ...	...	6
1	Portugueze ...	...	5
123	Rup.	...	1322
	On Command at Cossimbuzar		
1	Serjeant.		
1	Drummer.		
13	Europeans.		
1	Rounder.		
4	Portugueze.		
143	men.		

Abstract of Capt. Hunts Compa			
1	Lieutenant ...	...	35
3	Serjeants ...	...	60
4	Corporalls ...	...	52
1	Drum Major	...	20
1	Drummer ...	...	13
36	Europeans ...	...	360
2	Rounders ...	...	12
23	Portugueze ...	...	115
71	Rup.	...	667
	On Command at Patna		
1	Lieutenant ...	...	35
1	Ensigne[5] ...	...	24
5	Serjeants ...	...	100
5	Corporalls ...	...	65
48	Europeans ...	...	480
2	Drummers ...	...	26
133	Rup.	...	1397
	On Command at Cossimbuzar		
1	Drummer.		
9	Europeans.		
143	men.		

[1] November 13, or 14, was Muharram 1, 1131 H. The moon was new on November 11.

[2] *Ulāk*, a kind of boat with flat bottom.

[3] Taffeta, a silk cloth with a wavy lustre.

[4] Compare the Muster Rolls for January and July 1718, §§ 1086 and 1195 above.

[5] John Gulielmus, appointed Ensign *vice* Goodwin, July 7, § 1160.

1217.—CHARGES GENERALL FOR OCTOBER, 1718.

Saturday November 22nd.			r	a	p
Charges Generall			1090	4	6
Charges Dyet			1396	3	
Charges Repairations			220	4	6
Pilots Wages & Seamen in Monthly Pay ...			843		
Charges Cattle			255		
Military Viz.					
Officers & Soldiers Pay Mo. October 2719.					
Gunners and Gunroom Crew	598. 5. 3.				
Repairations & petty Charges ...	184.10.9				
			3,502		
Charges Budgerows & Beates			267	6	
Cossimbuzar Sloop			25	7	6
Charles Sloop			253	12	3
Repairing the Hospital			377	13	3
Servants Wages in Monthly pay			658	7	3
Charges Oxen			47	10	
Charges Hoggs			34	15	6
Charges Merchandize			252	11	6
Durbar [*darbār*] Charges			55	8	
Rup. ...			9280	7	3

1218.—CAPTAIN TOLSON'S REQUEST TO LADE PEPPER ON THE *HEATHCOTE*.

Monday November 24th.

To the Honble Samuell Feake Esqr President & Governour of Fort William &ca Councill in Bengall

Honble Sirs

Having informed some of my Friends that my designe was to request your Honrs that I might have Pepper Shipt on board the *Heathcote* to shoot in amongst the bales, I was answerd that it woud be in vain, the Market price being much more than your Honrs Ordor were from the Court of Directors to give whereupon with much difficulty I purchased eight hundred and six *maunds* and thirty six *seer* of Pepper I humbly desire of your Honrs to permitt me to ship it on board the *Heathcote* and that I may shoot it amongst the bales which will take up no Stowage and make the Ship much more fit to endure the Sea And I hereby oblige my self that upon the *Heathcotes* arrivall in England that the Honble Company shall have the acceptance of it if they please paying the prime Cost which is nine thousand seven hundred seventy and seven rupees and four anaes an Invoice of which I promise to deliver the Court of Directors upon Oath if required together with the same ffreight to

the Owners as Pepper shipt off at Madrass upon Request and Respondentia which is twenty five per Cent payable six months after the arrivall of the aforesaid ship and five per Cent upon the gross Sale to me as Commission and in Consideration of the hazard I run in advancing the said Sum and I desire that this Request may pass for a Register of the aforesaid pepper and I hope as by Presidents [? Precedents] heretofore the Company will be considerable gainers thereby which with due submission I beg leave to subscribe my Self.

Honble Sirs

November 24th 1718. Your most obedient and humble Servant

Joseph Tolson.

1219.—ANSWER TO CAPTAIN TOLSON'S REQUEST.

To Capt. Joseph Tolson Commander of Ship *Heathcote.*

We have this morning received your request for shooting Pepper amongst your bales. The Honble Court of Directors have in their Letter per Ship *Cardigan* dated the 18th January 1716-17 expressly orderd that when such a case (as yours now is) does happen that we acquaint you that whatever Pepper is so shipt you are to receive but half Freight as Pepper lately sent from Madrass, and we cant permitt your carrying it home on any other terms We now register your Paper wherein our Honble Masters are to have the refusall of all your pepper so laden and shall forward the same to them by your Ship *Heathcote.*

We are

Your Friends & humble Servants

November the 24th 1718. Samuell Feake &c. Councill.

1220.—INVESTMENT AT PATNA.

Monday December 1st.[1]

The 29th Ultimo we received a letter from Messrs Browne and Barker dated the 18th from Noadda [Nauwādā] advising that they had dispatched the Patna Boates and had laden on what Peice Goods were procurable Account of the Honble Compa which are thirty nine Bales of Baftoes [*bāftas*], four bales Emerties [*amirtīs*] and two of Laccowries [*lākh-kauṛīs*] the season being too far gone before they arrived to procure any Chints but to remedy any disappointment for the future they had then dispatcht their Gomastoes [*gumāshtahs*] to the proper Aurungs [*aurangs*] to contract for the ensuing season.

[1] November 30 was Advent Sunday.

1221.—ZAMÍNDÁRI ACCOUNT FOR SEPTEMBER, 1718.

Monday December 1st. Perticulars viz—

		r	a	p
By	Gain on Cowries [*kauṛis*]	51	12	
,,	Ground Rent	901	3	
,,	Duty on Grain	89	5	9
,,	Mangon [*mangan*][1]	432	13	3
,,	Weighmen	130	7	3
,,	Moldarry [*māldāri*][2]		15	9
,,	Fish &c.	141	2	9
,,	Fish	8	5	6
,,	Wood	6	15	9
,,	Potts	1	2	
,,	Caulkers	36	4	6
,,	Bannians [*banyans*]	6	9	9
,,	Brammins [*Brahmans*]	2	5	9
,,	Ferry boates	7	4	9
,,	Hoggs	1	1	9
,,	Cotton beaters	1	13	9
,,	Butty [*bheṭī*][3]	12	6	
,,	Congee [*kānji*]		9	3
,,	Laying Boates ashore	2	4	
,,	Jean Buzzar [Jān Bāzār]	25	15	
,,	Suba Buzzar [Sobhā Bāzār]	69	9	9
,,	Begum Buzzar [Begam Bāzār]	25	5	3
,,	Market	194	12	3
,,	Delolly [*dallāli*] of the Market ...	2	13	
,,	Sale of Houses	22	13	9
,,	Salammee [*salāmī*] of Pottahs [*paṭṭas*] ...	140	2	6
,,	Recovery of debts	40	3	3
,,	Peons Fees	92	12	6
,,	Marriages	23	6	3
,,	Fines	413	9	9
,,	Bang [*bhang*]	72	7	9
,,	Sale of Soap	9	14	6
,,	Sealing wax	18	12	
,,	Landing Arrack	399	7	
,,	Duty on Rice sent to Sea	361	12	9
		3748	12	6
	Deduct for Charges ...	697	9	
	Rupees ...	3051	3	6

[1] Duty paid on petty merchandise imported and exported.

[2] Duty paid by the Collectors of *mangan*.

[3] Explained to be 'a duty paid by those who bring rice to the Monday bazar.'

1222.—DEATH OF CAPTAIN HENRY HARNETT.[1]

Monday December 1st.

Yesterday being the 30th Ultimo Captain Henry Harnett Master of Attendance and Gunner of the Fort departed this life.

1223.—REASONS FOR BUYING ALL SALTPETRE PROCURABLE.

Saturday December 6th.

There being a large quantity of good Salt Petre arrived from Patna to be disposed on and no more to come this Season and the Portugueze Ship having already offered five rupees eight anaes per maund for what quantity she can take in which by her burden will be full four thousand baggs. Taking into Consideration our present necessity of our Europe Ships now only waiting for their kintilage The Governour and Councills demand from Madrass for six thousand baggs.

AGREED That our Broker endeavour to buy up the whole quantity if he can secure it for five rupees four per maund Buzzar[2] which we hear is ten thousand baggs by which means we shall be able to supply Madrass with Store for their next October Shipping (tho' not the full quantity they write for) and keep a sufficient quantity by us to dispatch two Ships early the next Season.

1224.—LETTERS SIGNED FOR THE DESPATCH OF THE *MARY*.

Saturday December 6th.

The Generall Letter to the Honble Court of Directors being ready also our Letters to Vizagapatam Madrass and St Hellena with all other papers for the dispatch of the *Mary*.

AGREED They be all signed and the Packet made up and that we give Mr Thomas Halford the Purser (whom Captain Holden has left behind for that purpose) the Captains Dispatches.

1225.—THE PRESIDENT ADVANCES Rs. 30,000 FOR SALTPETRE.

Monday December 8th.

According to an Order of last Consultation our Broker advises that upon Consideration of our taking the whole quantity of Salt Petre now arrived from Patna the Merchant Agrees we should have it at five rupees four anaes per maund.

AGREED That he secure it at that price and the President advance him thirty thousand rupees on the same.

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[1] He was appointed Gunner and Master of Attendance, October 3, 1709. See *English in Bengal* I, 321, § 340.

[2] The *bazar maund*, or *man*, was 82 lb., the factory maund, 74 lb. 10 oz.

1226.—SALTPETRE TO BE SENT TO MADRAS.

Monday December 8th.

By private advices from Fort St George we have the unfortunate news of a Europe Ship springing so great a leake in her bottom in Madrass Road that the day after she was dispatched for Europe, they were obliged to run ashore at St Thoma in order to save their lives, this we conjecture to be the *Success* who we hear they designed home first and we know they had not kintillage for two Ships, but as we have now secured a large quantity of Petre,

AGREED We lade as much more on the *King George* as she can take in besides her kintillage for Europe and embrace what other oppertunitys may offer to give them a good Supply as near the quantity they desire as we can spare, so that they may have Store for two Ships by them reserving at least three thousand bags for ye Bengall Shipping.

1227.—WILL OF CAPTAIN HARNETT.

Monday December 8th.

The last Will and Testament of Captain Henry Harnett deceased was now produced by Mr John Stackhouse one of the Executors thereof and proved.

Copy of Captain Harnett's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I Henry Harnett of Calcutta in Bengall being of a sound and disposing mind and memory (praise be given to God) do make publish and declare this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following That is to say: First and principally I recommend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God my wonderfull Creator and blessed Redeemer and my Body I committ to the dust to be decently interred at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named, And whereas I have (on the marriage of my Daughter Elizabeth) paid Mr John Stackhouse my Son in Law such part of my Estate as I judged convenient and which is specified in my Books for the year One thousand seven hundred and seventeen She is amply taken Care of and provided for, Excepting the Legacy underwritten Now therefore I do hereby give and bequeath all the rest and residue of my reall and personall Estate after my Debts and ffunerall Charges paid and defraid in manner and form following, Imprimis—I give and bequeath to my Son Henry Harnett twelve thousand Rupees Current of Bengall immediately or as soon as possible after my Death to be received by him. Item to my Son Thomas Harnett twelve thousand Rupees to be paid or remitted him when he is arrived at the twenty first Year of his Age. Item to my Son William twelve thousand rupees to be paid or remitted him at Twenty one years of Age.

Item to my Brother Thomas Harnett one thousand Rupees to be remitted him or his Heirs Executors Administrators or Assigns. Item to Mrs Catherine March one thousand Rupees in case she is alive and unmarried at my decease, or hath received no part of the money due to her in England. Item to my Mother in Law Mary Harnett two hundred Rupees. Item to my Brother Edward Harnett two hundred Rupees. Item to Mrs Sarah

Pontanell Five hundred Rupees. Item to Mrs Avarainha Cooke one hundred Rupees for Mourning. Item to my Daughter Elizabeth one thousand Rupees And it is my Will that if any of my Sons Henry, Thomas or William should die intestate or if either of my Sons Thomas or William should die before They are arrived at the twenty first Year of their age the Portion of the deceased shall be equally divided among my Surviving Children I likewise will that all the above Legacies be paid in Current Rupees of Bengall And lastly after all my Debts Legacies and Funerall Charges paid and discharged I give and bequeath the rest residue and remainder of my said Estate either in Possession or Reversion to my Son in Law John Stackhouse and my Son Henry Harnett for their own proper Use to be equally divided between them and I do hereby ordain Constitute and appoint my said Son in Law John Stackhouse and my Son Henry Harnett to be my Sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament and do hereby revoke all former Wills by me made or spoken and do publish and declare this only to be my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Seal and Subscribed my Name where no Stampt Paper is to be had. Calcutta September ye 16th 1718.

in the presents of

W. Collett
Jno Sainsbury Lloyd.
Thomas Braddyll.

Henry Harnett (Seal.)

1223.—PETITION OF EDWARD POMFRET AND SOLOMON MARGAS.

Monday December 8th.

Messrs Edward Pomfret and Solomon Margas sent in a Petition complaining of ill usage received by the Mates of the *Grantham* in their Passage out—

To the Honble Samuell Feake Esqr
Presidt and Governour of Fort William
&ca Councill
Honble Sir and Sirs

The Mates of the *Grantham* (in which Ship I took my Passage) having brought two of my Chests out of the Hold for Mr Unwin to take some Letters out by my Order there not being room in his boat to bring them up, they would not let them be put there again but set them at the Mast, exposed to all Weathers, by which means I have received a great deal of damage having had my Cloths and severall other things spoild to a considerable Value for which and the base usage we have received in the Voyage We humbly hope your Honrs will acquaint our Honble Masters. That those Gentlemen Who come out to India in their Honrs Service hereafter may meet with better usage,

Which is the Humble Request of
Honble Sir and Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servants
Edward Pomfrett
Soln Margas

Fort William,
December the 8th 1718.

1229.—GROUND RENT OF SŪTĀNUṬĪ AND CALCUTTA.[1]

Monday December 8th.

Sookdebray Crowree [Sukdeva Rāe *karorī*] demanding three hundred and twenty five Madrass Rupees for four months Ground Rent due this month for the part of Chuttanuttee [Sūtānuṭī] De [*dīh*] Calcutta in the Perguuna [*parganā*] of Amieravad [Amīrābād].

AGREED The President pay the same and present the Collector with one Madrass Rupee as Customary.

1230.—IMPORT WAREHOUSEKEEPER'S ACCOUNT FOR NOVEMBER, 1718.

Monday December 8th.

Import Warehouse account for November past.

Perticulars, Viz.

	r. a.		r. a. p.
Broad Cloth ordinary by retaile Yds. 8 @	2 5	...	18 8 0
sr. ch. r. a.			
Lead Casting lead 21 12 @	6 12	... ...	3 10 9
D° Milld 1. 15. 6 „	7. 8	... ...	10 6 3
Broad Cloth fine by retaile 29 yards		... ...	172 13 0
a. p.			
Flint Ware 31lbs. @	13 6 ...	... ...	26 2 6
	lbs. oz.		
Goods bo^t of the New Comp^a fflint Ware	8 4	...	6 15 6
Gold Thread 1 quill ...	... ...	... ...	17 6 6
dwt. r. a.			
Silver Lace 10 @	3 6 per oz. ...	... ...	1 11 0
Cutlery Ware 3ps. ...	... ...	... ...	7 0 0
mds. sr. ch. rs.			
White Lead 3 34 8 @	10 per md.	... ...	36 2 0
Broad Cloth Aurora[2] by retaile 7 yds. 8		... ...	32 8 0
yd.			
Velvets and Silks 1 14	... ...	... ...	18 2 6
	r. a.		
Callimancoes fine by retaile 4 yds. @	1 10	... ...	6 8 0
	sr. a.		
Goods bo^t of the Old Comp^a red Lead 23 @	8 ...	...	11 8 0
sr.			
Redwood 27 @	1 11 per maund ...	... ...	1 2 3
yds.	r. a.		
Worsted Camblets[3] by retaile 16 @	1 9 per yd.	...	25 0 0
	Rupees	...	395 8 3

[1] See further payment on January 5, 1719, § 1241.

[2] Aurora cloth, *i.e.*, orange or orange-red cloth.

[3] A variant for 'camlets,' a word of obscure origin, associated by Europeans with 'camel,' originally applied to some beautiful costly Eastern fabric, afterwards to imitations made with wool and silk.

NOTES ON THE PROCEEDINGS OF 1718.

Memorandums[1] from the Bay Consultation Book received per *Heathcote* commencing 12th February 1717-18 ending 8th December 1718.

Extracts.

Abstract of Muster Roll February. N. B.—To remember to draw only the account of monthly Revenues.

Soldiers Muster Roll March.

Nota many faults in the entrys in the Consultation book—botching figures miscopying &c. Erratas.

19th May, List of goods in the Export warehouse remaining ready packd up being 838 Bales & Chests also Turmerick Petre &c^{a}. N. B.—The cloth accounts are not enter'd in consultation but should be.

8th December, Messrs. Pomfrett & Margas Complaint against the mates of the *Grantham* of ill usage,

nothing don entered 2 leaves after but the leaves not numberd.

Memo. no Consultation after 8th December.

Memorandums from the Bay Letter Book of Letters sent to foreign parts and also Inland, received per *Grantham*.

Extracts.

12th Febry 1717-18. Letter to Agent &c^{a} Spahaun, *Bouveries* freighte own'd to be indifferent, attributed to the great arabs Ship under french Colours lowering the Price & taking freighte at any rate which depriv'd them of what they thought sure of.

In a Letter to Govr Collet &c. of the 2nd May they say will encourage people bringing up Grain to Madrass as soon as the Season will permit in August.

In another Letter to ditto of 23rd August advise That desire to coyn into Rupees part of their Silver but not all for shall want 80 or 100 Chests to Supply Cossimbuzar & Patna factorys where Madrass rupees will hardly pass Currant money & the Batta of 10 pr Cent. is intirely lost upon them whereas when sell Silver at Cassimbuzar dont loose full 7 rups. 11 anaes pr Cent. Batta on it. N. B.—Further reason for coyning in the Bay.

Complain the Nabob at Cossimbuzar will give them none of the Priviledges granted by the Phirmaund [*farmān*] unless do pay dear for them again.

That have no petre to send to Madrass but the 800 bags pr *Metchlipatam* but expect by the Merchants promises a supply in November.

Complain of having so much Broadcloth on their hands that it will ly dead—cant sell it.

In Letter to ditto 3rd January further Complaint of their being over glutted with woollen manufacture of all sorts and their Settlements and that their Merchants houses are full.

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[1] These relate to the year 1718, and in the India Office are marked Home Series Miscellaneous No. 68.

That they cant sell the Tents the Company sent so desire Madrass to take them off.

The following taken from the Copy Book of Inland Letters sent.

Letter to Mr Page & Council at Cassimbuzar 16th May 1718.

Were remember'd to get the Silk weigh'd off in the Dry Season then the Company would have the advantage in weighte but if stay till rains set in the Merchants will gain by [it] & therefore will defer it—the difference in a large quantity will be considerable.

Letter to Mr Page & Council at Cassimbuzar 25th June.

Ordered to tell Jaffur Caun [Ja'far Khān] plainly we expect he give us the full Enjoyment of the Kings Grants and that cant tamely be at the loss of the immense Summe spent in gaining the Phirmaund. If he wont comply friendly must have recause to other means & he answerable for damage may ensue to the King by his disobeying the Kings orders. If the Broker dare not the Chief must go & say this.

Letter to Mr Browne and Barker at Patna dated 10th September 1718.

Limitation of Charges to Servants—and dyet money.

To ease Durbar [*darbār*] expences—take 2 pr Cent. on all Private Investments & receive it into Cash.

Salt petre believe cant be provided this season—Give out Dadne at the cheapest time of the year that it may be down early next year. Get all piece goods you can so as to dispatch them by the 10th November at farthest.

Take particular care to whom you give Dadne [*dādnī*] for petre those Merchants being poor and knavish.

Letter to Mr Deane & Council at Cossimbuzar 25th September 1718.

Recommends pressingly to Mr Deane to speak to Nabob Jaffar Caun [Ja'far Khān] and to obtain the two Valuable articles—use of the Mint—possession of the Towns.

The following Taken from the Copy Book of Bengall Inland Letters received.

Letter from Cossimbuzar of the 19th April 1718.

Durpnaram [Darpanārāyan] told them the English business should not be hinderd—but the Mint and Towns should be deliver'd—But he would talk to the Nabob about them and give answer in 4 or 5 days.

Letter from Cossimbuzar 13th July 1718.

Nabob incensed at the English stopping the Moors boats has given strict orders to the Phousdar [*faujdar*] at Hugley & Jemindars [*zamīndārs*] (where the English have any business) to molest their affairs and to warn all the Countrey people from serving them and ordered 1000 horse & 2000 foot to oppose them.

Durpnaram [Darpanārāyan] told Contoo [Kantū] if the Boats were clear'd English affairs should go quietly on otherwise should be loosers—& said King has ordered the Nabob not to give the Mint or Towns—when Contoo

[Kantū] said he thought the King would not give orders and Contradict them Durpnaram [Darpanārāyan] was silent.

N.B.—Should in the Entrys in the Letter Book say when the Letters were received.

Letter from Cossimbuzar 21st August.

Will endeavour to get the Goorzburdar [*gurzbardar*] to deliver the Nabob the Letter from Fort William and sue for the Mint & Towns.

Letter from Mr Stephenson at Ballasore 2nd September.

Lent to a ffrench ship (at the french Chiefs request) Robert Hill Pylot to take care of her—another large ship come into the Road supposed to be the french ship of 50 Guns expected.

Letter from Captain Borlace at onutria [?] 27th November.

A large account of his forcing his way and fighting at Conna and elsewhere when he came down with the Boats.

Mr Deane &c. Letter of the 28th November commends his diligence and orders him to take the Boats at Diddergunge [Didārganj] &c. who have the Companys Dusticks [*dastaks*]—which are not cleared tho'orderd.

Letter from Cossimbuzar 9th December.

An account of the Kings Reception the Nabob gave Mr Deane &c. when waited on him & had his Serpaws [*sar-o-pās*].

Letter from Patna 1st December.

Have sent Gomastahs [*gumāshtahs*] to the Cloth aurungs [*aurangs*] above a month since.

Have made a Considerable progress in the affair of saltpetre.

Chupra Factory resettled on that account.

Roopchund [Rūpchand] Vackeel [*vakīl*] complaind for the Durbar [*darbār*] expences—intend to shift him for Mulloock Chund [Malik Chand] employ'd by Mr Surman at Court.

BENGAL PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS.

From the 10th December 1718 to the 29th December 1719.

1231.—DESPATCH OF SALTPETRE TO MADRAS.

Monday, December 15th.[1]

The ship *King George* not being able to take in above two thousand baggs of Salt Petre more than her Kintillage for Europe, and the Governour and Councill at Fort St. George requesting six thousand baggs for Store for that Presidency.

AGREED We lade sixteen hundred baggs Freight on two Brigantines now bound to Madrass at two Rupees per bag as customary, this being the fairest season of the year of that voyage and in all probabillity they may arrive some days before the *King George*, which will hasten the despatch of the *Derby* who we hear waits for Petre Kintillage.

1232.—PAYMENT OF THE RĀJMAḤAL PEON'S WAGES.

Monday, December 15th.

Morrellee [Murlī], the Peon whom we are obliged to keep at Rajamall [Rājmaḥal] to maintain the Companys Title and possession to their House requesting us to pay him his Wages which is due from the 1st of February last and including this month makes eleven months which at two rupees and a half per month amounts to twentyseven rupees eight anaes—

AGREED The President pay the same.

1233.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR NOVEMBER, 1718.[2]

Fort William, December, 1718.

Monday, December 15th.

Abstracts of Captain Henry Dallibars and Captain Richard Hunts Muster Rolls for the month of November 1718.

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[1] The moon new on December 11.

[2] Compare the earlier muster rolls of July and October, §§ 1194, 1216. No changes have been made in the officers.

CAPTAIN DALLIBARS COMPANY.

		Rup.
1	Lieutenant	35
1	Ensign	24
1	Gentleman of Arms	20
1	Marshall	20
2	Serjeants	40
4	Corporalls	52
5	Drummers	65
38	Europeans	380
2	Rounders	12
18	Portugueze	90
73		738

On command at Patna.

1	Lieutenant	35
3	Serjeants	60
4	Corporalls	52
2	Drummers	26
40	Europeans	400
1	Rounder	6
1	Portugueze	5
52		584
	rupees	1,322

On command at Cossimbuzar.

1	Serjeant
1	Drummer
12	Europeans
4	Portugueze
18	

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CAPTAIN HUNTS COMPANY.

1	Lieutenant	35
3	Serjeants	60
5	Corporalls	65
1	Drum Major	20
1	Drummer	13
37	Europeans	370
2	Rounders	12
23	Portugueze	115
73		690

On command at Patna.

1	Lieutenant	35
1	Ensign	24
5	Serjeants	100
4	Corporalls	52
2	Drummers	26
48	Europeans	480
61		717
	rupees	1,407

On command at Cossimbuzar.

1	Drummer.
8	Europeans.
9	

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1234.—RETURN OF ST. HELENA STORES.

Monday, December 22nd.

The S[t] Hellena Stores designed for the use of that island which were sent down to the *Heathcote* being returned, we wrote to Captain Joseph Tolson to know the reason of it, and he sent us an answer in writing with a Copy of a Letter from his Mates on board.

Captain Tolson's reasons for returning S[t] Helena Stores demanded.

CAPTAIN TOLSON—

Sir,

The Buxey, [*bakhshi*] M[r] Henry Frankland advises us that you have returned the S[t] Hellena Stores sent down to your Ship *Heathcote* designed for the use of that Island. The Honourable Court of Directors have possitively Ordered us to send one per Cent on every Ships Tonnage from this Port bound for Europe wherefore we request your answer that we may advise our Hon[ble] Masters.

We are
Your Humble Servants,
SAMUELL FEAKE, &c. COUNCILL.

FORT WILLIAM,
The 22nd December, 1718.

Captain Tolson's reasons for not receiving the S[t] Helena Stores.

To the Hon[ble] SAMUELL FEAKE, Esq[r] President and Governour &c[a] Councill in Fort William.

Honourable Sirs,

Having received an order from your Honour &c[a] to show my reasons why my officers refused to receive on board the *Heathcote* the Stores ordered for S. Hellena, I will assure your Honour &c[a] that I am very loath to refuse any Orders but what necessity obliges me to, as by a Copy of a Letter here under written doth appear none being more desirous to gain the good will of the Hon[ble] Court of Directors and your Honour &c[a] than.

Hon[ble] Sirs,
Your very humble Servant,
JOSEPH TOLSON.

CAPTAIN TOLSON,

Sir,

We have received an Order from M[r] Williamson with S[t] Hellena Stores which we do protest have no room to put them away, for have been obliged to take up upon deck severall tons of water to make room for our provisions, therefore we have thought it propper to return the same. We have had no further Account of the *Cossimbuzar* Sloop since my last to you two days ago; the master of the *London* Sloop left him on board the

Mary and judged he might get clear of her the next day, and informs me that then he was not well, am in hopes to see him this flood, we remain,

Sir,

Your humble Servants,

Monday morning,
the 17th December, 1718.
Its four hours since the *London* left the *Mary*.

Jn°. Harrison.
Hercules Underhill.
James Chambre.
Abraham Dickenson.

1235.—WRECK OF THE *SUCCESS*.

Wednesday, December 24th, P.M.

This day we received a Generall Letter from the Governour and Councill of Fort St George dated the 6th of October last which came upon the *Harrison* a Country Ship, wherein they advise that the Honble Companys Ship *Success* being dispatched the 19th of September, she sailed out of Madrass Road the 21st in the morning early, about midnight of the same day, being by computation thirty leagues distance to the South East going to try the pump which had been sounded about two hours before, and then had no more than five inches water, They found to their very great surpr[illegible] five foot water in the Well and the Pumps all choaked, in less than a hour after the water had gained upon them two foot more, and the Ship was brought down with her Leegunhill under water, to ease her they hoisted out the longboat and cut away the Leeboome, as soon as the Longboat was over the side above twenty of the Ships Company jumped into her and cutt her loose every body expecting the Ship would go down in a few minuetts, the Captain afterwards gott over the quarter into the Longboat, there remained about thirty persons on board the Ship which still made fresh way through the water her head to the Westward they having before made a tack to the land, the wind at South, the People remaining in the Ship endeavoured to lighten her as fast as possible by cutting the anchors from the Bows and throwing every thing overboard they could come at, and by baling, not being able to work any of the pumps which were all choaked with pepper, about seven the next morning the Ship came on Shore at a Place called Trivebore four Leagues to the Southward of Madrass, they immediately dispatched a Ship and Sloop with severall country boates and a sufficient number of Soldiers with necessaries for encamping on the Shore to preserve the ships loading, the ship lay so unhappily between two surfs which were continually breaking over that twas impossible to worke on her, the third day she

brake to peices, and the bales floated, but instead of coming on shore near the wreck, they were driven to the northward by the Current, so that they were obliged to secure the Coast without as well as within their bounds to the extent of about thirty miles, by which and by the assistance of Divers they have recovered above half the Cargo, the Captain and Officers and all the Ships Company are saved.

1236.—EUROPE LETTER SIGNED TO BE SENT PER *HEATHCOTE*.

Wednesday, December 26th. Every thing being prepared for the dispatch of the *Heathcote* and all papers signed, we now made up the Packet and

ORDER'D That Mr. William Spencer do go down to Coxes and dispatch her from thence.

1237.—COSSIMBUZAR; LETTER ABOUT THE INVESTMENT.

Mr. William Haskall Writer to go to Cossimbuzar.

Tuesday, December 30th. The 27th we received a Letter from Mr John Deane, &c^a at Cossimbuzar, dated the 24th, inclosing the Invoice of four bales of Gurrahs [*gāṛhā*] and six of Dosoottys [*dusūtīs*] amounting to thirteen hundred forty one rupees seven anaes and six pice, also their Cash Account and Charges Generall for the month of November, and having desired another assistant to officiate in the Business of that Factory.

ORDERD That Mr William Haskall Writer do prepare and get himself ready to proceed thither.

1238.—CAPTAIN JOHN JONES MADE MASTER OF ATTENDANCE AND GUNNER.

Tuesday, December 30th. Since the death of Captain Henry Harnett,[1] we have made what enquiry we could for a proper Person to take charge of that Post as Gunner and Master of Attendance, and Captain John Jones now Master of Ship *Anne* offering his service, who being a Man well experienced of a good Character and known by us all to have demeaned himself well in all Employs for these many yeares past and now being desirous to set down here with his family.

AGREED That we send for him and fix him in that Post on the same Sallary and Allowance as his Predecessor, and that the Executors of Captain Henry Harnett deliver him the Charge of All the Stores belonging to the Honble Company into his Custody and that he receive the same according to the ballance in our Generall Books which the Accountant is now Ordered to Deliver him.

[1] He died November 30, § 1222.

1239 DESPATCH OF THE *HEATHCOTE* AND *KING GEORGE*.

Saturday, January 3rd. Mr. William Spencer being returned from Coxes acquaints us he dispatched the *Heathcote* from thence Monday the 29th at night. Being now mett to dispatch the *King George* we made up the Europe and Madrass Packetts to be sent on her and deliver'd them to Mr Jno Pearse the Purser (with the Captains dispatches) who was left behind for them.

1240.—CASH ACCOUNT FOR DECEMBER, 1780.

Monday, January 5th The President brought in the Cash Account for the month of December, the ballance whereof is one hundred and fourteen thousand and twenty-one rupees seven anaes.

1241.—GROUND RENT OF GOVINDPUR.[1]

January 5th. Bénoodram Crowree [Binodrāma *karoṛī*] demanding thirty sicca rupees for four months Ground Rent due in December for the part of Govindpore in the Purgunna of Calcutta in Jaffur Caun's Jaggeer [Ja'far Khan's *jāgīr*].

AGREED The President pay the same.

1242.—SOLDIERS TO BE SENT TO BOMBAY ACCORDING TO REQUEST.

January 5th. The Governour and Councill at Bombay having this last Season in their Letter dated the 7th of April 1718 very pressingly requested of us if possibly we could to assist them with a Recruit of Europeans for Soldiers or Sailors, for want of which they are daily insulted by Angria,[2] who has now declared open War with them and this last Season made prizes of severall country Vessells with English Colours, Having at present a supernumerary number by the return of our party from Patna when severall were listed to conduct those Gentlemen up and the Goods since come down, and taking into consideration the great expence our Honourable Masters are always at of twenty five pounds per head to supply their Factorys in these parts with men from England.

AGREED We send what Men are willing to List for the service of Bombay Castle on our Country Shipping now bound there, and

[1] This payment was due on December 1, 1718. Further payments in 1719 were made for 1719, on April 9, May 7, August 13, September 10, and December 8, §§ 1275, 1285, 1320, 1331, and 1368. Also the payment on February 9, 1720, § 1404 was for 1719. For the total rent due see § 1109.

[2] This was Kānhūji, Angria, the piratical admiral of the Muhrattah fleet, with his headquarters at Kolābah. He was appointed to the command about 1698 and died about 1728. See Grant Duff's *History of the Mahrattas* (reprint of 1873), pp. 163, 172, 203, 230.

debit that Presidency for what pay advanced them which is forty five rupees each and no more pay due till full three months be expired, the five rupees per month more than Soldiers in Garrison is what always given to every common Sailor in our Country Shipping and no one will go to Sea on other terms.

Our Lieutenant having pickd out of both Companys thirty one men who are willing to list for the service of Bombay according to the above Order—

AGREED The President advance them three months pay which at fifteen rupees per month amounts to thirteen hundred and ninety five rupees.

1243.—LIST OF THE MEN FOR BOMBAY.

Martin Jacobson.	Garrett Johnson.
John Johnson, Senr.	Matthew Timerson.
Just Lenderson.	Henry Tankfain.
John Johnson, Junr.	Henry Torrindall.
John Dames.	Jacob Wickerson.
Hendrick Johnson.	Justice Wm. Heartifield.
Peter Matter.	Anthony Barnasta.
Cloice Williamson.	John Martinson.
Peter De Soza.	Anthony Corneilison.
Joseph De Bargas.	Hendrick Alberman.
Alexander Perera.	Balder Raindreson.
Hendrick Fanlett.	Bender Jacobson.
Ignatio Shaver.	John Hendrickson.
Bauselco Moskoveta.	John Armonson.
John Reinderson.	Easter Johnson.
Christian Fandell.	

1244.—ZĀMĪNDĀRI ACCOUNT FOR OCTOBER, 1718.[1]

Thursday, January 8th.

Mr William Spencer, Jemendar [*samīndār*] now brought in his Account of Revenues for the month of October, the gross amount whereof is three thousand seven hundred eighty six rupees and nine pice, particulars, viz.—

	Rup.	an.	p.
By gain on cowries [*kauṛīs*]	58	4	0
„ Ground rent	1,141	8	0
„ Duty on Grain	104	8	9
„ Mangon [*mangan*]	413	10	6
„ Weighmen	149	9	9
„ Molldarry [*māldāri*]	2	2	6
„ Fish, &c[a]	141	15	6
„ Fish	8	5	6
„ Wood	11	11	6
Carried over ...	2,031	12	0

[1] Compare the account for October, 1717, in the consultation of February 6, 1718, § 1090 above.

	Rup.	an.	p.
Brought forward ...	2,031	12	0
By Potts	1	2	0
„ Caulkers	36	4	6
„ Bannians [*banyās*]	6	9	0
„ Ferry boates	7	4	9
„ Hoggs	1	1	9
„ Cotton Beaters	1	13	6
„ Butty [*bheṭi*]	33	12	0
„ Conjee [*kānjī*]	0	9	3
„ Bramins [*Brāhmans*]	2	5	6
„ Laying Boates ashore	2	4	0
„ Jean Buzzar [Jān Bāzār]	25	1	6
„ Suba Buzzar [Sobhā Bāzār]	69	9	9
„ Begum Buzzar [Begam Bāzār]	25	9	3
„ Market	256	13	6
„ Delolly [*dallāli*] of the Market	2	13	0
„ Sale of houses	24	5	3
„ Recovery of Debts	43	5	0
„ Peons Fees	99	1	6
„ Marriages	6	2	0
„ Fines	26	5	3
„ Bang [*bhang*]	84	9	6
„ Sale of Boys	6	9	6
„ Sallammee [*salāmī*] of Pottahs [*paṭṭas*] ...	183	6	3
„ Sealing Wax	23	7	0
„ Rice sent to Sea	24	3	3
„ Duty on Arrack	84	2	6
„ Sale of Houses, &c^{a} of men that run away ...	70	8	9
„ Catwalley [*kotwāli*]	59	7	9
„ Oxen with Burdens	68	0	6
„ Sealing Measures	3	5	0
„ Sale of Musterdseed & Gram	77	1	9
„ Kissavonah	70	0	0
„ Goostah	327	2	9
	3,786	0	9
Deduct for charges ...	344	5	6
Rupees ...	3,441	11	3

1245.—PAYMENT OF SERVANTS' WAGES AT PATNA.

Thursday, January 8th.

Mr Henry Frankland now producing an account of Servants Wages in Singia [Singhiya] and Futtua [Fatūhā] amounting to Patna Rupees one hundred and thirteen and eight anaes being from the 1st of August 1717 to the 31st of July 1718 which money was paid by his Correspondent according to Order of Consultation the 23rd of Aprill 1716 to the Servants of the above mention'd ffactorys belonging to the Honble Company.

AGREED That said Summe with seven per Cent Batta [*baṭṭa*] which is the difference between Patna rupees and Current rupees of this place be paid him which amounts to one hundred and twenty one rupees seven anaes, and that it be charged to Patna Residence.

1246.—SPENCER TO BE *BAKHSHI* AND COLLET TO BE *ZAMĪNDĀR*.

Thursday. January 8th.

Mr Henry Frankland going for England on the Ship *Grantham*, and the time of her Dispatches drawing near when the Charge of Buxey [*bakhshī*] falls on course to Mr William Spencer who is next in succession at this board.

ORDERED That he examine with Mr Frankland all Stores, &c^{a} whatever else may be in the Buxeys [*bakhshī's*] possession belonging to the Honble Company and give a receipt for the same according to our Honble Masters standing Orders and Mr Waterworth Collett who succeeds to be Jemindar [*zamīndār*] takes charge of the ballance from the Storekeeper.

1247.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR DECEMBER, 1718.[1]

Monday, January 12th.[2]

Mr Henry Frankland Buxey [*bakhshī*] now brought in the Muster Rolls of the two Companys of Soldiers musterd and paid for the month of December.

Abstracts of Captain Henry Dallibars and Captain Richard Hunts Muster Rolls for the month of December, 1718.

Captain Dallibars Company.		Rs.
2	Lieutenants at 35 ...	70
1	Ensign	24
1	Gentleman of Arms ...	20
1	Marshall ...	20
7	Sergeants ...	140
7	Corporalls ...	91
6	Drummers ...	78
80	Europeans ...	765
3	Rounders ...	18
19	Portugueze ...	95
127		1321

On Command at Cossimbuzar.	
1	Serjeant
1	Drummer
11	Europeans
3	Portugueze
16	
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Captain Hunts Company.		Rs.
2	Lieutenants ...	70
1	Ensign ...	24
8	Sergeants ...	160
8	Corporalls ...	104
1	Drum Major ...	20
5	Drummers ...	65
84	Europeans ...	840
2	Rounders ...	12
23	Portugueze ...	115
134		1410

On Command at Cossimbuzar.
9 Europeans.
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Compare the muster rolls for January, 1719, given on February 5, § 1256 below. Also those for November 1718, on December 15, in § 1233.

[2] January 14 was *Śrī Panchamī*; the moon was new on January 9,

1248.—FRANKLAND TAKES PASSAGE ON THE *GRANTHAM*.

Monday, January 19th.

Mr Henry Frankland designing to return to England on the *Grantham* now lays down the Honble Companys Service and has delivered over his charge of Buxey [*bakhshī*] to Mr William Spencer who has given a recet for what Stores remained upon ballance in the Buxeys [*bakhshī's*] Store Book as per order of Consultation of the 8th instant, and the Storekeepers Charge to Mr Waterworth Collett and he standing charged with nothing more in your Honours Books.

AGREED That we give Captain Collett an Order to receive him on board with his family and give them the use of the great Cabbin.

1249.—DESPATCH OF THE *GRANTHAM*.

Tuesday, January 20th.

We being mett on purpose to dispatch the *Grantham* and all the Papers prepared, Agreed they be sign'd and the Packet made up.

ORDERED That Mr Waterworth Collett do go down to Coxes and dispatch her from thence.

Thursday, January 29th.

Mr Waterworth Collett being returned from dispatching the *Grantham*, acquaints us he dispatcht her from Coxes the 24th inst.

1250.—JOHN EYRE TAKEN INTO COUNCIL.

Thursday, January 29th.

Mr Henry Franklands departure for England making a vacancy in Councill and Mr John Eyre being next in Succession—

AGREED We send for him to take his place as Secretary & seventh or last in Councill at this board.

1251.—CLARE TO BE CHIEF OF BALASOR.

Monday, February 2nd.

Mr Edward Stephenson at Ballasore having finished that Investment for the past Season and He being Orderd as Second of Patna Residency in Consultation of the 2nd of July last, It is unanimously

AGREED That Mr Harry Clare succeed to his Post at Ballasore and that he get himself in a readyness as soon as possible to proceed thither on the Honble Companys Sloop *Charles*.

1252.—WEAVERS TO BE SET TO WORK AT BALASOR.

February 2nd.

The Honble Company in their List of Investment received this last Shipping having Ordered seven thousand peices of Ballasore Sannoes [*sanahs*] to be sent them, and whereas We could procure no more than three thousand

nine hundred ninety three peices, the Season being so far spent before their Orders arrived, We find it highly necessary to immediately give directions for setting the Weavers at that Place to work, wherefore Mr Stephensons last Account for the month of December past being brought to this board ballance of which remaining there being but thirteen hundred rupees ten anaes—

AGREED—The President send Rupees eight thousand Madrass with Mr Harry Clare to inable him to begin that Investment.

1253.—STEPHENSON REMAINS TEMPORARILY AT BALASOR.

As he [Mr Clare] has never been at that place before,

February 2nd. ORDERED Mr Stephenson continue a small time to inform him and put him in the way of making the Musters and Contracting for the Investment—after which deliver all Accounts over to him and take his Receipt for the ballance and proceed up to us directly on the *Charles* Sloop in Order to proceed for Patna.

1254—TURMERICK SENT TO BALASOR.

February 2nd. There being a parcell of Turmerick resting in the Warehouse on last years ballance and the Honble Company having forbid any being sent this Season to England that being a Commodity is dayly perishing with the worme.

AGREED That it be now sent to Ballasore and there sold for the most it will produce before its quite decayed.

1255.—LIEUTENANT RICHARD HUNT MADE A MAJOR.

Thursday, February 5th. Lieutenant Richard Hunt having for these ten years past demeaned himself very well in our Honble Masters service and executed all Commands he has frequently been sent on with good Conduct and bravery well deserving Encouragement and having been bred a Soldier and well skilled in Martial Discipline.

AGREED That we preferr him to the title of Major it being as the Commissions run to their Chief Officers in Fort St George and Bombay the only two other of the Honble Companys Presidencys in India but that he has only the same Pay as formerly given to our Captain Commodant.

ORDERED That Captain Richard Hunt be now sent for and acquainted with this our Resolution for his encouragement We

expecting his future behaviour will well deserve it and that he monthly in a perticular manner apart render an Account of both Companys, being very carefull that no Portugueze, Itallian, or other be charged as European Soldiers but what are really so, and likewise that he be very circumspect that the Subaltern Officers and Centinells suffer no abuse in their Pay or otherwise from their Superiours but that every Officer be constant upon Duty when tis his Guard and let Their good Example and behaviour be a meanes to keep a strict decorum amongst his People.

1256.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR JANUARY, 1719.[1]

Thursday, February 6th.[2]

The Muster Rolls for the month of January of both Companys was now deliverd in by Mr William Spencer, Buxey [*bakhshi*].

Abstracts of Captain Henry Dallibars and Captain Richard Hunts Muster Rolls for the month of January 1718-1719.

Captain Dallibars Company.		r.
1	Lieutenant[3] ...	35
1	Ensigne[4]	24
1	Gentleman of Arms[5] ...	20
1	Marshall	20
7	Serjeants	140
7	Corporalls	91
6	Drummers	78
57	Europeans	570
3	Rounders	18
22	Portugueze	110
106	Rupees ...	1,106
	On Command at Cossimbuzar.	
1	Lieutenant[6]	
1	Serjeant.	
1	Drummer.	
12	Europeans.	
1	Portugueze.	
16		
122		

Captain Hunts Company.		r.
2	Lieutenants[7]	70
1	Ensigne[8]	35
8	Serjeants	160
1	Drum Major ...	20
5	Drummers	65
83	Europeans	718
2	Rounders	12
23	Portugueze ...	115
8	Corporalls	104
133	Rupees ...	1,288
10	On Command at Cossimbuzar.	
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[1] Compare the muster rolls of January—July and December, 1718, §§ 1086, 1195, and 1247, above.

[2] On February 8 there was an annular eclipse of the sun, nearly seven digits in magnitude. February 11 was Ash Wednesday.

[3] Capt. Henry Dallibar.

[4] Ensign Theophilus Gammon.

[5] John Windham.

[6] Capt. George Borlase.

[7] Capts. Richd Hunt and Nichs Rowe.

[8] Ensign John Guliemus.

1257.—ZAMINDARI ACCOUNT FOR NOVEMBER, 1718.

Thursday, February 12th.

Mr. William Spencer late Jemendar [*samindār*] now brought in his Account of Revenues for the month of November last the gross amount thereof is two thousand seven hundred eighty three rupees four anaes nine pice.

1258.—SALE OF SEVENTY-NINE BALES OF GURRAHS.

February 12th.

Mr James Williamson Export warehouse keeper advising that there are eighty nine bales of Gurrahs [*gāṛhās*] remaining in the Godowns which he can dispose off to a Ship now bound to Mannilla for twelve per Cent Advance on their Cost as prized by us in the Honble Companys Cotta [*koṭhā*] [warehouse] which is twelve months Interest. Taking into Consideration the badness of that Cloth this Year occasioned by the scarcity and extravagant price of Cotton and that Our Honble Masters Shipping being all dispatcht for Europe and this being the very first of the Season for to bespeake the full quantity Ordered for our ensueing Investment which will be fresh Goods and in all probability much better made by the promising Crop of Cotton which is now on the Ground.

AGREED that he dispose of them at that price for ready money, this being an apparent Advantage to the Company and bring the Account perticulars next Consultation day.

1259.—SETTLEMENT OF THE DISPUTES BETWEEN FORT St. GEORGE AND THE COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

Monday, February 16th.

Received a Generall Letter from the Governour and Councill of Fort St George dated the 21st Ultimo and came to hand the 13th Instant by Brigantine *Success* Richard Wallis Master wherein they advise that their Brigantine *Success* Samuell Simpson Master on which was sent six hundred baggs of Salt Petre Account of the Honble Company was run ashore about ten leagues to the Northward of Armigon and farther

advise that they have at last carried their point in dispute with the Country Government having good peaceable possession of the Townes.

1260.—REMITTANCE OF Rs. 60,000 TO PATNA.

Monday, February 16th.

By a Letter received last night from Messrs. Browne and Barker dated the 3rd instant inclosing their Charges Generall and Cash Account for the month of December They advise they are in great want of money to advance the Petre Assammeys [*asāmīs*] and to carry on the other part of their Investment Ordered at that Settlement. To prevent the great Article of Interest and that they may meet with no disappointment in securing the full quantity of Salt Petre Ordered.

AGREED that Wee remitt them sixty thousand Sicca Rupees which is Wee think a sufficient Sum to intrust with the Shrofts [*ṣarrāfs*] till wee hear these Bills are complyed with and that wee now advise them Wee shall send a full supply by Mr Edward Stephenson who will proceed to that Residency as soon as the waters rise and he can go with safety but if they should be necessitated for more money before his arrivall that they draw bills on us here which Method Wee approve of best as It not only cutts of that eating Article of Interest but likewise prevents the hazard the Honble Company may possibly run of Shrofts [*ṣarrāfs*] failing and their Bills not being duely honoured.

ORDERED That the Broker do immediately send to Hugly to procure Bills of Exchange for the Sume Ordered for Patna on the best terms he can and that he be carefull the Shrofts [*ṣarrāfs*] are substantiall and Men of Creditt.

1261.—ACCOUNT OF GUNNER'S STORES.

Thursday, February 19th.

Messrs. John Stackhouse & Henry Harnett Trustees to the Estate of Captain Henry Harnett deceased now brought in the Account of Gunners Stores received sold and expended from the last of Aprill 1718 to the last of December 1718 likewise a List of Stores then remaining on ballance which were delivered over to Captain John Jones who has given a Recet for the same.

Account Gunners Stores received sold expended and delivered from the last of Aprill 1718 to the last of December 1718.

Stores delivered Captain Borlace for the Patna expedition.

14 Chests of Country powder
6 Small Mortars
50 Mortar Shells
12 Maunds Match
200 Handgranadoes
6 Iron Guns
120 Falcon[1] Iron Shott
2 Brass ladles
6 Powder hornes
4 Steel bitts
6 Priming Irons

2 Dark Lanthorns
10 Tarpaulings
300 Cartridges
2 Chests Europe Powder

Stores received from Captain Borlace at his return from Patna.

3 Chests Country Powder
1 Chest of Europe Powder
28 Mortar Shells
200 Hand Granadoes
100 Falcon Iron Shott
6 Powder Hornes
2 Dark Lanthornes
6 Tarpaulings
6 Small Mortars
12 Maunds Match
6 Iron Guns e[a] p[z]. 23[lb]
2 Brass Ladles
4 Steel bitts
6 Priming Irons
300 Cartridges

Stores Expended Viz[t].

193 Handgranadoes broken and laying in the Godowns but Useless
25 Mortar Shells
2 Powder Horns broken and lost
30 Wooden handspikes
1 Chest of Colours delivered John the Watchmaker for the use of the present he returned not
2 Old Hammers lost
1 Mallett
82 Fuzes broken and eaten with white ants
530 Large Fuzes
12 Powder chests broken delivered the Master of Arms.

Stores sold Vz[t].

26	Steel bitts for ...	25	
246	Falcon Iron Shott mds. sr. r. pz. 4 3 at 5 per maund ...	24	12
108	Rabinitt d[o]. pz. md. 1 s. 26 at 5[rs]. ...	8	4
7	Double headed ...	4	1 6
	Rupees ...	42	5 6[2]

[1] A light six-pound field piece, an ancient kind of cannon, named according to custom after a bird of prey.

[2] The addition is wrong. The total is Rs. 62-1-6.

Account Gunners Stores remaining in Fort William the last of December 1718 with their Value, Viz.

Carriages Vizt.—

			rs.		rs.		
6	Feild D. Culverin[1] and minion	at	20	...	120		
51	D Culverin[1] Trucks	„	12	...	612		
21	Saker[2] d°	„	8	...	168		
37	Minion[3] d°	„	7	...	259		
4	Three Pounders	„	6	...	24		
							1183

Brass mortars and cohorns[4]—

1	Poz. 23lbs at 50	...	...	...	1,150		
1	— 8 „ 2	...	...	...	617	9	
1	— 1	...	...	...	50		
	md. sr. eh.						
1	— 1 32 12	...		...	90	15	
58	Cohorns[4]	...	...	...	930		
							2838 8

Mortar Carriages, Viz.—

	rs.						
2	Large at 40	...	...	...	80		
	rs.						
2	Small at 10	...	...	...	20		
							100

Iron Shott Viz.—

			cwt.			
5072	Falcon & Falconet pz.	...	56	2		
4819	Minion ...	...	114	1		
1666	Three Pounders	...	46	0	20	
3108	Sakers	...	161	3	19	
2037	Demi Culverin[1]	...	145	2	8	
101	Twelve Pounders	...	10	3	12	
591	Whole Culverin[1]	...	76			
15	Double Headed	...		2	19	
92	Rabinits[5]	...		2		
						4275 9
	Carried over	...				8397 1

[1] Culverin were long in proportion to the bore. The length of the ordinary culverin was from 10 to 13 ft., bore 5 to 5½ inches, shot 17 to 20lb. In demi-culverin the bore was 4 or 4½ inches, shot about 10lb.

[2] Originally a kind of hawk. Here a small piece of artillery smaller than a demi-culverin. For the name compare the use of 'falcon.'

[3] An old-fashioned piece of light artillery. The *Century Dictionary* quotes from Marlowe, *Tamburlaine*, II, iii, 3 :—

'Then let us bring our libgt artillery
Minions, falc'nets, and sakers, to the trench.'

[4] A cochorn was a small mortar to throw grenades.

[5] A rabinet is defined as a small piece of ordinance, weighing about 300 pounds, and carrying a ball about 1½ inches in diameter. The word is of obscure origin.

	Brought over ...				8397 1
				rs. pr Cwt.	
17411	Shott pz.	610 3 22 at 7			
979	Stone Shott at 15rs. per 100 ...	.....	.....		48 15
3600	Cohorn and handgranado Shells at 8as.	.....	.....		1800
629	Shells for large morters pz. 450cwt. at 7rs.	.....	.....		3150
13	Maunds Musquet and pistol lead Shott at 5rs. 8as. ...	.....	.....		71 8
438	Powder hornes at 7as. ...	.....	.....		191 10
8000	Small Fuzes at 3as. per 100 ...	.....	240		
2000	Large do.	.....	100		340
7	Flags old & new and 55 brass ladles	.....	.....		276 14
5	Worms & ladles	.....	.....		10
1	Brass Highth	.....	.....		1
1	Pr. Stilliards	.....	.....		4
3	Chests for Colours & Cartridges	.....	.....		30
100	Spunge Staves at 2rs. ...	.....	.....		12 8
84	Steel bits at 1a.	.....	.....		5 4
15	Priming Irons	.....	.....		8
1	Pr. Calliper Compasses ...	.....	.....		1
1	Old hammer	.....	.....		1
61	Dark Lanthorns	.....	.....		61
2	Old Muscovy lights ...	.....	.....		
12	Malletts & Letters	.....	.....		4
17	Linstocks	.....	.....		1
1	Jinn	.....	.....		40
20	Powder Chests at 12as. ...	.....	.....		15
					14466 4
	Iron Guns Viz.—				
	cwt.				
43	D Culverin pz. 1080 ...	.....	.....		.....
18	Sakers 254 3 ...	.....	.....		.....
35	Minion 320 2 ...	.....	.....		.....
4	Falcons 16 2 ...	.....	.....		.....
	1671 3 at 5 pr Cwt.	.....	.....		8,358 12
	Carried over ...				22825

Brought over ... 22825

Gun Powder Viz—

	mds.		rs. as.	rs. pr. Cwt.	
Cannon	42 29 at	...	11 8	488 10	.....
Musquet	7 7 „	...	14	100 7	.....
Europe	8 20 „	...	20	370	.....
				959	

Rupees 23,784 1

Received the above mentioned perticulars.
JOHN JONES.

Errors excepted.
JOHN STACKHOUSE.
HENRY HARNETT.

1262.—CAPTAIN ROW TO GO AGAINST RĀMABHADRA.

Monday, March 2nd.

Sometime since Wee having notice of Jeyram Coleu [Jairāma *kōlū*] one of our Renters of the Buzzar that was indebted to the Honble Company and had run away being att a Town about seven miles to the Northward belonging to Rambudder Jemendar [Rāmabhadra *samīndār*], Wee then sent some of our Burkundasses [*barqandas*] or Country Gunmen to endeavour to apprehend him which they accordingly did, but Rambudders [Rāmabhadra's] people falling upon them as they were bringing him away, in the skrimish he got clear three of our people being wounded, and some of his besides one or two killed out right.

On this occasion making inquiry found this Jemendar [*samīndār*] had a Towne which lay close on our bounds wherein was some of his relations whereupon Wee Resolved to besett the Town and seize upon an Uncle of his with a Kinsman and a Servant supposing by that meanes to compell him to deliver up our man Jeyram Coleu [Jairāma *kōlū*]; but instead of treating with us in that manner, He impudently seized on One of our Merchants Gomastoes [*gumāshtahs*] & plundered him after which he seized nine of our Tenants which had business towards his Territorys to the Southward of us of which Complaint being made, and Wee seriously considering the ill Effects which must attend the Honble Companys future Affaires should Wee so easily pass by such insolent Treatments from the Jemendars [*zamīndārs*].

Resolved That Wee immediately Order Captain Nicholas Row with Ensigne Gulielmus and fifty European Soldiers with thirty Burkundasses [*barqandāz*] to march this evening to the Frontiers of Rambudder's [Rāmabhadra's] Southward Territorys where he himself dwells, And that Harry Moore our black Jemendar [*zamīndār*] go with them to shew our Soldiers which are his Townes, also the Cozzee [*qāẓī*] (or Moors Preist) to Witness what passes there, to send to Rambudder [Rāmabhadra] & peremptorily demand the immediate delivery of all our people with their Goods & moneys, or that Wee will burn his whole Country and destroy all before us but withall forbid our People putting it in Execution till our farther Orders unless obliged to it in their own defence.

It is farther Agreed that three of the ordinary Tents with Dooleys [*ḍolīs*] for Ammunition &c^{a} Baggage for the Soldiers immediately gett ready to march in company with them.

1263.—ZAMĪNDĀRI ACCOUNT FOR DECEMBER, 1718.[1]

Thursday. March 5th.

Mr William Spencer late Jemendar [*zamīndār*] brought in his Account of Revenues for the month of December the Gross amount thereof is two thousand seven hundred eighty one Rupees thirteen anaes, perticulars viz.—

	R.	A.	P.
By Gain on Cowries [*kauṛīs*]	51	12	
„ Ground Rent	990	3	6
„ Duty on Grain	126	7	6
„ Mangon [*mangan*]	437	15	6
„ Weighmen	86	6	9
„ Molldarry [*māldārī*]	2	15	6
„ Fish &c^{a}.	107	12	3
„ Fish	7	7	6
„ Wood	5	7	
„ Potts		11	
„ Caulkers	36	4	6
„ Bannians [*banyās*]	6	9	
„ Brammins [*Brahmans*]	2	5	9
„ Ferry Boates	7	4	6
„ Hoggs	1	1	9
„ Cotton Beaters	1	13	6
„ Buttoe [*bheṭī*]	11	4	
Carried over ...	1883	13	6

[1] See the account for October 1717, 1090 above.

				R.	A.	P.
	Brought over		...	1883	13	6
By Laying Boates ashoar		...	...	2	4	
„ Conjee [*kānji*]	...	...	...		9	3
„ Jean Buzzar [Jān Bāzār]		...	...	25	1	3
„ Suba Buzzar [Sobha Bāzār]		...	...	69	9	9
„ Begum Buzzar [Begam Bāzār]		...	...	25	9	3
„ Markett ...	...	...	...	251	14	6
„ Delolly [*dallāli*] of the markett			...	2	13	
„ Sale of Houses	...	...	...	28	11	9
„ Recovery of Debts	...	...	...	86	5	6
„ Peones Fees	...	...	...	73	2	9
„ Marriages	...	...	...	22	11	3
„ Fines ...	...	...	...	81	6	6
„ Bang [*bhang*]	...	...	...	65	8	3
„ Sale of Boys	...	...	...	23	1	6
„ Sallamee [*sālāmī*] of Pottahs [*paṭṭas*]			...	32	8	6
„ Vermillion	...	...	...	22	14	9
„ Rice sent to sea	...	...	...	33	11	9
				2781	13	
	Deduct for charges		...	332	1	6
	Rupees		...	2449	11	6

1264.—STRONG MEASURES AGAINST RĀMABHADRA.

Letter from Captain Nicholas Rowe and Ensign Gulielmus "relateing to Rambudder Jemendar" read in Consultation.

To the Honble Samuell Feake Esqr President and Governour of Fort

March 3rd. William &c^a^. Councill.

Honble Sir & Sirs,

Last night I lay two miles without the Companys Bounds and next morning by Gun fire I marched over the Creek into Rambudders [Rāmabhadra] Country and arrived there about eight of the Clock in the morning where I made demand of the Honble Companys Tenants and likewise the Prisoners but was denied them, Rambudder [Rāmabhadra] and his Country I found in Arms against us, upon which I sent the Bramine [*Brahman*] to make demand of the Honble Companys Tenants and Guyrām [Jairāma] our Debtor, but could get nothing of him, the Report was (which encouraged his men to fall on us) that he did not value sixty Soldiers & thirty Buxerys [*Baksaris*] (our black Gunmen) and about an hour afterwards I saw them in three bodys very nigh a thousand men with Drum beating & country trumpetts sounding to raise his Country, & about nine aclock he engaged me & held till two in the afternoon, they firing at me first, whereupon I sent the few horse I had to view them & they

wounded two of them before I fired with that I followed my Orders. He begun but I hope I have made an end, and let him see what sixty Soldiers could do, for by report afterwards I killed a great many besides what were burnt in their Houses. But the water thereabouts being very bad for the men, am now marched in the Plain where I intend to lye this Night if God willing, having no more to add. We are

Your Honour &c^as
Most Obedient & Humble Servants
NICHOLAS ROWE.
JN^O GULIELMUS.

March the 3rd
1718-9.

1265.—IMPRISONMENT OF KING FARRUKHSĪYAR.

Tuesday, March 10th.[1]

About twelve of the Clock last Night arrived a short Letter from Mr. Hugh Barker at Patna, dated the 2nd Instant advising that the late King Furruckseer [Farrukhsīyar] was close imprisoned and after concluding his Letter adds in a Postcript that the foregoing News was again confirmed and that Ruffulcudders [Rafī'u-l-qadr's] Son, called Sha-doula [Shāh Daulah] was seated on the Throne[2] but as yet wee have no farther perticulars by what meanes the King was dethroned, but suppose it to be Vizier Abdulla Cawn [Abdu-llah-Khān] who has for some time been disgusted and is Prime Minister and the most powerfull Man in the Kingdom.

This Vizzier being a declared Enemy to Jaffercawn [Ja'far Khān] the present Subah [*ṣūbahdār*] of Bengall gives us sufficient reason to believe he must share the fate of his Master the late King which has been already aimed at by Orders sent to invite him to Court with promises of greater preferment but He being throughly sensible of the Treachery designed against him, has as often found Excuses for his staying in Bengall, & tis the generall Opinion of all Persons that he will defend himself where he now is till he is cut off, wherefore

AGREED That We immediately write to Mr John Deane &c^a at Cossimbuzar that he keep a strict Guard in the Factory and that he not only forbear giving out more Dadney [*dādnī*] but that he take the best and properest measures he can to secure what already deliverd. Likewise a Letter to Mr Harry Clare at Ballasore to caution him of the same.

[1] The moon was new on March 10.

[2] Rafi'u-d-darājāt was raised to the throne on the 8th Rabi'I II 1131 H., that is, Tuesday, the 17th February, 1719 O.S. He was the second son of Rafi'u-l-qadr, Rafi'u-shshān, fifth son of the emperor Shāh 'Ālam, Bahādur Shāh.

1266.—ALL STRAGGLING CHRISTIANS TO BE ENTERTAINED.

March 10th. In consideration of Our present disturbance with the Jemendar Rambudder [*zamīndār* Rāmabhadra] who still continues to increase his force and threatens with a great deal of Insolence to be farther troublesome & not knowing what Encouragement he may have at this Juncture if there should be any Rupture in the Government in these parts—

AGREED That we entertain what Straglers of Christian people Wee can meet with to ease our own Military who are and have been for some days all on constant Duty and frequent skirmishes at severall parts on the extent of our Bounds as also to strengthen the Garrison till the Country is again setled in peace and quietness and that the Cheif Buxery [*baksarī*] entertain forty more black Gunmen to prevent our Inhabitants of the out Skirts of the Town being plundered.

1267.—OUT GUARDS TO BE CONTINUED.

March 12th. According to an Order of Consultation of the 2nd Instant wherein are our Reasons entred for sending out against Rambudder [Rāmabhadra] a Neighbouring, Refractory and Insolent Jemendar [*zamīndār*], Wee received a Letter dated the 3rd instant from Captain Nicholas Rowe and his Ensigne John Gulielmus with a breif Account how he ingaged them which is entred after the Consultation of the 5th Instant. Wee having severall times since repelled them and destroyed a great number of their People and burnt their Villages which has at length obliged him to begg for Peace on any terms, on which Wee first demanded our Renter of the Buzzar who is indebted to the Honble Company and all our Tenants that had been imprisoned by him during this dispute to be brought and deliverd us here by his own People and then he to discharge all his forces he had entertained against us. Accordingly he yesterday sent us the Debtor. Wee first demanded as likewise all our Tenants he had seized on, and promises forthwith to disperse all his people. Wee make no doubt, but this good Effect will be a warning to other Jemendars [*zamīndārs*] not only to refuse Protection to any of our Tenants but also deliver them up to us when demanded & giving our merchants civil usage in their Territorys,

AGREED That our outguards be continued a few days longer till the Jemendar [*zamīndār*] fullfill his Promise of dispersing his Forces, and Wee have farther particulars of the late Kings Imprisonment and the Country settled in peace and quietness under the King now said to be sett on the Throne.

1268.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR FEBRUARY, 1719.[1]

Monday, March 16th. The Muster Rolls for the month of February of both Companys of Soldiers were now delivered in by Mr William Spencer, Buxey [*bakhshī*].

An Abstract of Major Hunts Company for the month of ffebruary.

		r.
1	Major [2] ...	... 65
1	Lieutenant ...	... 35
1	Ensigne ...	... 24
1	Master at Arms	... 20
1	Marshall ...	... 20
8	Serjeants ...	... 160
8	Corporalls ...	... 104
1	Drum Major	... 20
4	Drummers ...	... 52
80	Europeans ...	... 800
2	Rounders ...	... 12
23	Portugueze ...	... 115
131	Rupees	1427

On Command at Cossimbuzar.

1 Sergeant.
11 Europeans.

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An Abstract of Captain Dallibar's Company for the month of ffebruary.

		r.
1	Lieutenant ...	... 35
1	Ensigne ...	... 24
8	Serjeants ...	... 160
8	Corporalls ...	... 104
6	Drummers ...	... 78
56	Europeans ...	... 560
3	Rounders ...	... 18
22	Portugueze ...	... 110
105	Rupees	1089

On Command at Cossimbuzar.

1 Lieutenant.
1 Drummer.
12 Europeans.
1 Portugueze.

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1269.—ACCESSION OF RAFI'U-D-DARAJĀT.

Thursday, March 19th. The 17th Instant received a Letter from Mr John Deane at Cossimbuzar dated the 14th ditto wherein they advise us they had given out dadney [*dadnī*] before our Orders of the 10th arrived them but that they are under no Apprehension of danger having contracted with the most substantiall Merchants there and the Country being intirely in peace and Quietness and that they have six hundred maunds of Silk already in the Factory and expect the remainder in by the latter end of this month.

[1] Compare the muster rolls of January, 1719, § 1256 above.

[2] The increase of pay is noted in the *Memorandums from the Bay pacquets* in the unbound *Miscellanies* in the India Office.

Just now received a Letter from Mr John Deane &c[a] at Cossimbuzar dated 16th instant enclosing Coppy of the new King Ruffeulldur Jaut [Rafī'u-d-darajāt] his Phirmaund [*farmān*] to Jaffurcawn [Ja'far-Khān] Sūbah [*ṣūbahdār*] of Bengall.

ORDERED—The same be translated and entered after this Consultation.

Copy of King Ruffeulldur Jaut [Rafī'u-d-darajāt] his Letter (Phirmaund) [*fārmān*] to the Vice Roy of Bengall Jaffurcaune [Jā'far Khān].

At this time of Conquest and being Conquerour by the blessing of the Almighty the Sun of my Empire appears and the Affaires of the world is fallen into my Power. The mad fool has received his Punishment, he is seized and his Eyes are put out. The Throne of the Empire is illustrated by me. The hight of my Resolutions are to exalt the Spear of the Law to Support the Tennants & the helpless, To preserve and protect by the strength of Justice, our Religion and the riches, to spread Tranquility & Peace, to Relieve the Oppressed & suppress the Oppressors, to keep the People of God in Joy that the strong oppress not the weak to keep the Garden of the World green and satiated with the water of Justice You ought in a very profound & solemn manner to return thanks to Almighty God for all this and know that my heart is bent towards you, Do you stop the Doors of Oppression & preserve the inhabitants, that day by day the Countrey may flourish that your good Character may be known. Coppy of the Kuttba [*khuṭbah*] which is read in the Musged (Temple) [*masjid*] on the Sabaths (Frydays) have sent you, see that the Hattebs [*khāṭibs*][1] do remember and read this Kuttba [*khuṭbah*] in the Musgeds (Temples) [*masjids*].

1270.—ZAMĪNDĀRI ACCOUNTS FOR JANUARY, 1719.

Thursday, March 19th.

Mr. William Spencer late Jemendar [*zamīndār*] brought in his Account of Revenues for the month of January, the Gross Amount being three thousand three hundred fifty two rupees, fifteen anaes, three pice.

1271.—SALARIES DUE ON THE 25TH MARCH, 1719.

Monday, March 30th.[2]

Mr. James Williamson Accountant now brought in the Account of Sallary due to the Honble Companys Servants from the 29th of September to the

[1] *Khāṭib*, the person who recites the *khuṭbah*.

[2] March 29 was Easter Day. It was also the Mesha *Sankrānti*, the first day of the Hindu solar year.

25th Instant amounting to Rupees four thousand eight hundred and seven, perticulars, viz.

Sallary due to the Servants of the Honble the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies in Fort William[1] from the 29th of September 1718 to the 25th of March 1719.

		m.	d.	£.		r.	r. a. p.
Councill	The Hon. Samll. Feake Esq. Gov. ...	6		200 per ann.		800	
	Gratuity ...			100	„	400	
							1200
	The Worshipll. James Williamson Esq.	6		40	„		160
	Mr Edward Page decd. from 29th Sept. to the 27th Oct. ...		28	40			24 14 2
	Mr William Spencer ...	6		40			160
	Mr Waterworth Collett ...	6		40			160
	Mr John Eyre	6		40			160
	Michael Cotesworth Jun. Mercht ...	6		30			120
	Edward Stephenson	6		30			120
	Thomas Falconer	6		30			120
	John Stackhouse	6		30	„	120	
	Do Gratuity as Sub Accountant ...			40		160	280
	Eduard Ange—Junr Merchant ...	6		30			120
	John Sainsbury Lloyd	6		30	„		120
	William Spincks	6		30	„		120
	Thomas Braddyll—Factor ...	6		15	„		60
	John Osbaldeston do	6		15	„		60
	John Dix	6		15	„		60
	Humffrey Cole	6		15	„		60
	Thomas Phillips	6		15	„		60
	Edward Rennolds	6		15	„		60
	Baron Jeffs	6		15	„		60
	Phillip Michell	6		15	„		60
	William Cowley	6		15			60
	John Bonket	6		15			60
	Thomas White	6		15			60
	Gabriel Hanger „	6		15			60
Doctors 2.	Oliver Coult, Doctor	6		36			144
	Richard Harvey, Doctor	6		36			144
	Thomas Coates—Writer ...	6		5			20
	Carried over ...						3892 14 3

[1] Besides those at Fort William, John Deane, Edward Crisp, Charles Hampton, Francis Russell, Samuel Fazackerly, George Mandeville, William Haskall and Charles Bedford were at Cassimbazar; Samuel Browne, Hugh Barker and Samuel Harwood were at Patna and Harry Clare and Stephen Scott, at Balasor.

		m.	d.	£.	r.	a.	p.
	Brought over ...				3892	14	3
	Thomas Cooke—Writer...	...	6	5	20		
	Henry Harnett ,, ...	...	6	5	20		
	Richard Eyre ,, ...	...	6	5	20		
	William Tipping ,, ...	...	6	5	20		
	William Bruce ,, ...	...	6	5	20		
Writers 20.	Mathew Wesly ...	...	6	5	20		
	Christopher Birkhead ...	...	6	5	20		
	John Harris ...	...	6	5	20		
	Thomas Moore ...	...	6	5	20		
	Samuell Greenhill ...	...	6	5	20		
	Jacob Des Tombe ...	...	6	5	20		
	John Oldmixon ...	...	6	5	20		
	Edward Pomfret ...	...	6	5	20		
	Solomon Margas ...	...	6	5	20		
	Robert Turner ...	...	6	5	20		
	John Forster ...	...	6	5	20		
	William Davis ...	...	6	5	20		
	Thomas Unwin ...	...	6	5	20		
	Nathaniel Hall ...	...	6	5	20		
	Sicca Rupees ...				4272	14	3
	Batta 12½ per cent. ...				534	1	9
	Rupees ...				4807	—	—

AGREED. The President pay the same.

1272.—ZAMĪNDĀR'S ACCOUNT FOR FEBRUARY, 1718.[1]

Monday, April 6th. Mr. Waterworth Collett Jemindar [*zamīndār*] now brought in his Account of Revennues for the month of February, the Gross Amount being Three Thousand one Hundred and forty three rupees—Particulars, Viz[t].

	r.	a.	p.
By Gain on Cowries [*kauṛīs*]	33	12	2
,, Ground Rent	930	9	9
,, Duty on Grain	108	14	0
,, Mangon [*mangan*]	505	5	8
,, Moldarry [*māldāri*]	6	14	6
,, Fish &c[a]	196	5	3
,, Wood	5	13	9
,, Weighman	224	8	3
,, Fish	10	13	6
,, Potts		15	6
Carried over	2024	0	4

[1] See § 1090.

	r.	a.	p.
Brought over	2024	0	4
By Caulkers	36	4	6
„ Banians [*banyans*]	6	8	3
„ Bramins [*Brahmans*]	2	5	
„ Ferry Boats	6	3	
„ Hogs	1	1	9
„ Cotton Beaters	1	13	
„ Butty [*bhoṭi*]	129	6	
„ Conjee [*kānji*]		9	
„ Laying Boats ashore	3	5	9
„ Jean Bazar [Jān Bāzār]	25	1	3
„ Suba Buzar [Sobhā Bāzār]	69	9	9
„ Begum Buzar [Begam Bāzār]	25	9	
„ The Market	252	4	6
„ Dololly [*dallālī*] on the Market	2	13	
„ Sale of Houses	37	3	3
„ Recovering debts	15	15	9
„ Peons Fees	78	4	2
„ Marriages	205	8	
„ Fines	78	9	6
„ Bang [*bhang*]	78	11	3
„ Sale of Slaves	6	9	9
„ Sallame [*salāmī*] of Pottaes [*paṭṭas*] ...	32	5	6
„ Vermillion	22	14	9
Rupees ...	3143		
Deduct for Charges ...	355	4	6
Ballance Rupees ...	2787	11	6

1273.—GOODS TO BE CONTRACTED FOR.

Monday, April 6th. We haveing for this full month past deferr'd giving out our Dadney [*dādnī*] on the Assurance our Broker Harry Naut [Harināth] frequently gave us hopes that Severall Merchants who had Goods remaining in their Warehouses would dispose of them in Barter for Broad Cloth which our Ordering a new Investment might prevent, and the Vending that Commodity being our dayly Concern made us willing to Embrace all Offers for getting off the Same; but we find his promises to be trifling and not to be depended on, and it being now the Season for giving out our new Dadney [*dādnī*].

AGREED That we Contract for Goods agreeable to the last List receiv'd from the Honble Court of Directors per *Heathcote*,

having regard to what goods may be allready packt up in the Warehouse.

ORDERED That a List for this Years Investment be prepared by the Export Warehouse keeper with all Convenient Spead & laid before this board.

1274.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR MARCH, 1719.[1]

Monday, April 6th.

The Muster Rolls of both Companys of Soldiers for the Month of March were now laid before us by Mr. William Spencer Buxey [*bakhshī*].

An Abstract of Major Hunts Company for the month of March.

		r.
1 Major	...	65
1 Lieutenant	...	35
1 Ensign	...	24
1 Master of Arms	...	20
1 Marshall	...	20
8 Serjeants	...	160
8 Corporalls	...	104
1 Drum Major	...	20
4 Drummers	...	34
83 Europeans	...	830
3 Rounders	...	18
52 Portugueze	...	260
Sum totall	...	1,590

On Command at Cossimbuzar.
12 Europeans.

176 Men.

Abstract of Captain Dallibars Company for the month of March.

		r.
1 Lieutenant	...	35
1 Ensign	...	24
8 Serjeants	...	160
8 Corporalls	...	104
4 Drummers	...	40
56 Europeans	...	555
3 Rounders	...	18
54 Portugueze	...	196 8
Sum totall	...	1,132 8

On Command at Cossimbuzar.
1 Lieutenant.
1 Drummer.
12 Europeans.
1 Portugueze.

150 Men.

1275.—GROUND RENT OF SŪTĀNUṬĪ AND CALCUTTA.

Thursday, April 9th.[2]

Sookdib Ray [Sukhdeva Rāe] Crowree [*karoṛī*] demanding Three Hundred & Twenty Rupees Sicca for Four Months rent due this month for Chuttanuttee [Sūtānuṭī] and De [*dih*] Calcutta in the Pergunna [*parganā*] of Amarivad in Jaffercawns Jaggare [Ja'far Khān's *jāgīr*].

AGREED That the President pay the Same and the Collector one Rupee as usuall.[3]

[1] See § 1268 above.

[2] The moon was new on April 8.

[3] There is a further payment on May 7. See § 1285. The first four months' rent was due on April 1.

1276.—VĀRĀNASĪ SEṬH MADE BROKER.

Tuesday, April 14th.

It being now full late in the Season for our giving out Dadney [*dādnī*] which we have for some Time deferr'd for Reasons enter'd in Consultation of the 6th Instant and our present Broker Harrinaut [Harināth] being a man altogether Incapacitated for the post he is in, as we have more particularly advised our Honble Masters in the 57, 58, 59 Paragraphs of our Letter per Ships *Mary*, *Heathcote* & *Grantham* dated the 6th of December 1718, It is unanimously agreed to be highly requisite to remove him, and has been a Consideration of many days to find out the most proper person amongst our merchants to fix in his Station, before we make our new Contract for this ensuing Year, and none can be propos'd as a Capable Man who is disengaged from the Government, and entirely depending on our Protections, but the Seats [Seṭh's] Family who are indeed our most Secure Merchants and Yearly take great Share of our Dadney [*dādnī*] not less in our Late Governour Hedges's Time than before, who we are all assured for no other Reasons, than wrong Informations, some Secrett Jealousy, or rather to promote his own Servant; gave the Honble Company Such a Character of this Family in Generall as obliged us, on receipt of their Letter by the *Mary* dated the 12 January 1714 to then Consent to his being displaced least our Masters Should think us deserving of the most unjust Calumny our late Governour had wrote against some of us whereas they in Para: 46 & 48 severely write the Broker was upheld against the President and that the Merchants were intimidated from bringing Goods into the Warehouses by the Brokers relations & Favourites, all which must be an answer to our late Governours private writing, and what we must affirm was purely his own Invention, & out of meer prejudice at that juncture, as afterwards plainly appeared by entrusting Barnasseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh] only with the management of all his own private dealings untill his Death; The reviewing of those Paragraphs wherein your Honours Show your great dislike to the then Broker, are Sufficient to prevent our entertaining any of the Family could it be avoided without the Greatest disappointment to your affairs with which we are entrusted, but as the Distance is too great for your Honours to Come immediately at the Truth, when any Charge is laid by Secret Writting, so we shall Endeavour & hope to give the most evident & Satisfactory proof, by the prizes of our Investment and & the good Dispatch of our Ships, that your Honours Interest is Sincerely the heigth of our

Ambition & that none of us are or Can be byass'd to act or Consent to any thing but what Shall directly appear to be for your Advantage.

There are some Gentlemen gone home as Sir Robert Nightingale, Mr Abraham Addams, & this last yeaf Mr Henry Frankland who was of this opinion (as your Honours will observe in our late Generall Letter) when he was present, we humbly begg your Honours would enquire of those Gentlemen who have been very well Experienc'd in your service and Thoroughly acquainted with both these two men Barnasseseat [Vārāṇasī Seṭh] and Harrinaut [Harināth] which they deem best qualified to Serve you in the Station of Broker or whither They judge the best Capacitated for it, and least your Honours Should think it improper he should be interest'd in prizing his own goods, we possitively order that neither he nor his Son have any dadney [*dādnī*] given them or that he neither directly or Indirectly provide any Goods for the Honble Company either in his own Name or any other Persons whatsoever, as for the rest of the family they have been this two years Seperated and each man acts for himself endeavouring to outvey one the other as any merchants whatever and we must beg leave to assure your Honours that our Care Shall be Such in prizing your Investment & lowering the prizes of all goods, that we judge it your Interest to encourage all persons that bring in the best Cloth and they are Generally those who have most influence over the Weavers, which must be men of Substance & Creditt.

1277.—DEATH OF JOHN OSBALDESTON.

April 14th. The 10th at Night Mr John Osbaldeston[1] One of the Honble Companys Factors departed this Life.

1278.—WILL OF JOHN OSBALDESTON.

April 14th. The last will and Testament of Mr John Osbaldeston deceas'd was now brought before the board by Mr Waterworth Collett Trustee thereof and was yesterday proved.

Copy of the Will.

In the Name of God Amen I John Osbaldeston of Fort William in Bengall Factor being of a Sound & perfect memory prais'd be God, do make this my last Will & testament in manner and form following that is to Say first & Principally I commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God hopeing thoro' the merits & mediation of my Bless'd Saviour Jesus Christ to obtain pardon for all my

[1] Arrived writer November 19, 1711.

Sins, and my Body I Committ to the Earth to be decently buried at the descretion of my Executor, Not doubting but at the Generall Resurrection I shall receive the Same again by the mighty Power of God, as touching what worldly Estate it hath pleas'd God to bestow upon me I give and bequeath in manner & form following, first I will & direct that all my just debts & funerall Charges be paid.

Item.—I give and bequeath unto Mr John Deane Cheif at Cossimbuzar the sume of five hundred Rupees Current of Fort William.

Item.—I give and bequeath unto Mr William Cowley Factor the Sume of three hundred Rupees Current.

Item.—I give unto my Slave boy Jacob his Freedom and one hundred Rupees Current, the which to be deposited in the Hands of Mr John Deane above mentiond till he thinks the boy Capable of receiving it.

Item.—I give and bequeath unto Mr William Harkness the Sume of two hundred rupees Current.

Item.—I give and bequeath unto Mr Peter Dent the Sume of one hundred rupees Current.

Item.—I give and bequeath unto my good Friend Mr Waterworth Collett the Sume of Two hundred Rupees Current whom I do Constitute and appoint to be my Executor of this my last Will and Testament here in India and order that after all my just Debts ffunerall Charges and Legacys are paid that the remainder of my Estate be remitted home to Europe in the Companys Cash and their to be equally divided among my dear Brothers Fountain Wentworth Osbaldeston and George Osbaldeston and my dear Sister Elizabeth Osbaldeston. Lastly I do make will and ordain this to be my last will and Testament, revoking and disannulling all other Former Wills Legacy's or bequeaths made by me In Witness whereof I have hereunto sel my hand and Seal dated at Fort William in Bengall this Eigth day of April in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred and Nineteen.

Signd Seald publish'd & declar'd by John Osbaldeston to be his last Will and Testament where no stamp'd paper is to be had in the presence of us and Signd by us as witness in the presence of the Testator & each other.

EDWARD RENNOLDS.
BARON JEFFS.
HENRY HARNETT.

JOHN OSBALDESTON.

Seal.

Declaration of Witnesses *re* Mr. Osbaldestom's Will.

Messrs. Edward Rennolds, Baron Jeffs[1] and Henry Harnett[2] the Witnesses to this last Will and Testament of John Osbaldeston deceas'd appeared before us the President and Councill in Bengall

[1] Both factors a little below John Osbaldeston in rank.

[2] A writer, son of the late Captain Henry Harnett.

for affairs of the Honble United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies the 13 day of Aprill 1719 in the Consultation Room in Fort William and being Sworn on the Holy Evangelists declare upon Oath that they saw the Testator Sign seal and declare this to be his last will & Testament and that he was then in his perfect Senses and that they saw each other sign as Witnesses.

1279.—MADRAS LETTER AND St HELLENA PACKET.

Tuesday, April 16th.

Last night receiv'd a Generall Letter from Fort S^t^. George dated the 19th Ultimo per the *London* a Country Ship wherein they advise us of the arrivall of Ship *Queen* with them the 10th of February from the West coast, but being sickly and much in want of refreshment they found it not possible to dispatch her before 'twas too late altho' they had by them above three Thousand bales, they likewise forwarded to us a packett from S^t^. Hellena that came *Viâ* Bencoolen, that advise the Severall Ships that had touch'd at that Island and a List of what necessarys they are most in want off; by their answer to what wrote them about the Broad Cloth Tents sent us by our Honble Masters we find they are at the same loss as we, and have as little hopes of the disposall of theirs, having fitted one up for Show which are very much admired but none will harken to the price and are of the same opinion with us, must lye by unless wanted for a present to the great Mogull himself or some of his prime Ministers.

1280.—LICENCE, TONNAGE AND PASS MONEY FOR 1718.

Monday, April 20th.

Mr John Eyre Secritary now brought in the Account of Tonnage, Pass Money, Bancksall House, Licence, & Dock money for the year 1718 amounting to Rupees Three Thousand Five hundred, thirty Three, particulars Viz^t^.—

		r.	r.
Brigantine *Jaddoseat*—Tonnage ...	...	20	
Pass money	...	10	
Banksall House	...	10	
		40	
			40
Carried over	...		40

Brought over ...			40
Brigantine *Elizabeth & Catherine*—Tonnage ...	45		
Pass money ...	10		
Banksall House ...	10		
			65
Ship *Britania*—Tonnage	60		
Pass money	10		
Banksall House	10		
			80
Brigantine *Adventure*—Tonnage	20		
Pass money	10		
Banksall House ...	10		
			40
Ship *Francis*—Tonnage	60		
Pass money	10		
Banksall House	10		
			80
Ship *Good Hope*—Tonnage	10		
Pass money	10		
			20
Brigantine *Fortune*—Tonnage	25		
Pass money	10		
Banksall House ...	10		
			45
Ship *Henrietta*—Banksall House			10
Brigantine *Ann*— d°.			10
D°. *Elizabeth* d°.			10
D°. *Essex* d°.			10
Ship *Harrison*—Tonnage	150		
Pass money	10		
Banksall House	10		
			170
Mary Ann Galley—Tonnage	50		
Pass money	10		
Banksall House	10		
			70
Sloop *Endeavour*—Tonnage	15		
Pass money	10		
			25
Ship *Hallifax*—Tonnage	40		
Pass money	10		
Banksall House	10		
			60
Carried over ...			735

Brought over ...		735
Ship *Oxford*—Tonnage	150	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		170
Brigantine *Success*—Tonnage	30	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		50
Ship *Shaw Allum*—Tonnage	200	
Pass money	14	
Banksall House	10	
		224
Ship *Severn*—Tonnage	150	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		170
Ship *Elizabeth*—Tonnage	130	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		150
Brigantine *Samuell*—Tonnage	50	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House ...	10	
		70
Brigantine *Prosperous*—Tonnage	25	
Pass money ...	10	
Banksall House ...	10	
		45
Ship *Amity*—Tonnage	70	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		90
Brigantine *Success*—Tonnage	40	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House ...	10	
		60
Ship *Marygold*—Tonnage	50	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		70
Ship *Charles*—Tonnage	150	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		170
Carried over ...		2004

		r.	r.
Brought over	...		2004
Ship *Obadiah*—Tonnage ...	...	40	
Pass money ...	...	10	
Banksall House ...	...	10	
			60
Ship *Ann*—Tonnage	...	140	
Banksall House ...	...	10	
			150
Ship *Dolphin*—Tonnage ...	...	50	
Pass money ...	...	10	
Banksall House ...	...	10	
			70
Brigantine *Adventure*—Tonnage ...	...	25	
Pass money ...	...	10	
Banksall House	...	10	
			45
Ship *Srewsbury*—Tonnage ...	...	60	
Pass money ...	...	10	
Banksall House ...	...	10	
			80
Brigantine *Elizabeth*—Tonnage ...	...	40	
Pass money ...	...	10	
Banksall House	...	10	
			60
Ship *Monchoo*—Tonnage ...	...	50	
Pass money ...	...	10	
Banksall House ...	...	10	
			70
Ship *Brampore*—Tonnage ...	...	200	
Pass money ...	...	14	
Banksall House ...	...	10	
			220
Ship *St. Cruze*—Pass money ...	...		10
Ship *Francis*—Tonnage	...	70	
Pass money ...	...	10	
Banksall House ...	...	10	
			90
Ship *Harriot*—Tonnage ...	...	70	
Pass money ...	...	10	
Banksall House ...	...	10	
			90
Carried over	...		2953[1]

[1] The addition is wrong. The amount should be Rs. 2499.

		r.	r.
	Brought over		2953
Licenees for Punch Houses Viz.—			
Anthony Phillips from 1 July 1718 to do. 1719 ...		50	
Elizabeth Bindon's[1] do. from 31 July 1718 to do. 1719		50	
Robert Lavers from 14 September 1718 to do. 1719		50	
Thomas Beavers from 16 October 1718 to do. 1719		50	
Gilbert Cornelius's from 6th October 1718 to do. 1719		50	
Frances Vane's from 5th March 1718 to do. 1720		50	
		—	300
Dock Viz.—			
Ship *Ann* 2 Springs each 40		80	
Ship *Dolphin* 5 Springs each 40		200	
		—	280
	Rupees ...		3533[2]

ORDERED That it pass Errors Excepted and be deliverd the Accountant the amount Three Thousand five hundred Thirty Three Rupees being at Severall times paid into Cash.

1231.—SALE OF LEAD.

Thursday, April 23rd.

Mr William Spencer Importwarehousekeeper last Consultation Day advising us that the whole Quantity of Lead come by the last Shipping still lay unsold on which we order'd the broker to endeavour the disposall of it before any more should arrive and he now acquaints us that the three Seats Bissnodass Jaddoo and Kissore [Vishnūdas, Yādu, and Kis'orī] are willing to take the whole quantity on Account for Goods at 4 Rupees 2 Ana's per Maund which is two anaes more than the price has been this Season, wherefore

AGREED it be weighd off to them reserving only what wanted for Kintledging our Sloops and petty uses of this Factory.

[1] Known, apparently, to the public as Black Betty's. See § 1421.

[2] The addition is wrong. The amount should be Rs. 3529. See the foot-note on p. 119.

1282.—YEARLY PESHKASH TO THE HUGLI GOVERNMENT.

Thursday, 30th April.

The Hughly Government demanding their Yearly Pishcash of three Thousand Siccą Rupees due this day,

AGREED The President pay three Thousand Madrass Rupees.

1283.—ZAMINDĀRĪ ACCOUNT FOR MARCH, 1719.

Thursday, April 30th.

Mr Waterworth Collett Jemindar [*zamīndār*] now brought in the Account of Revennues for the month of March the Gross amount whereof being Three Thousand eighty two Rupees, twelve anaes, six pyce.

1284.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR APRIL, 1719.[1]

Thursday, May 7th.

Mr William Spencer Buxey [*bakhshī*] laid before the Board the Muster Rolls of both Companys of Soldiers for the month of Aprill.

Abstract of Major Richard Hunts Company for the month of Aprill 1719

1	Major	65
1	Lieutenant	35
1	Ensign	24
1	Master of Arms	20
1	Serjeant Major	20
1	Marshall	20
7	Serjeants	140
9	Corporalls	117
1	Drum Major	20
4	Drummers	40
74	Europeans	740
4	Do. ½ a month	20
3	Rounders	18
53	Portugueze	265
	Rupees ...	1544

On Command at Cossimbuzar.

16	Europeans
171	Men

Abstract of Captain Henry Dallibars Company for the month of Aprill 1719.

1	Lieutenant	35
1	Ensigne	24
8	Serjeants	160
8	Corporals	104
4	Drummers	40
52	Europeans	520
3	Rounders	18
59	Portugueze	295
	Rupees ...	1196

On Command at Cossimbuzar

1	Lieutenant
1	Drummer
12	Europeans
150	Men

[1] See § 1274.

1285.—GROUND RENT PAID FOR GOVINDPUR.

Thursday, May 7th.[1]

Binwood Ram [Binodrām] Crowree [*karoṛi*] demanding Thirty three Rupees Sicca for four months ground Rent for the part of Govindpore in the Purgunna of Calcutta due the last of Aprill.

AGREED The President pay him Thirty Three Madrass Rupees.

1286.—REPAIR OF THE MAIN GUARD GATE.

Thursday, May 14th.[2]

The main Guard Gate being very much out of repair, the arches crak'd, thorough and the beams & rafters all rotten & decay'd that its in danger of Falling in.

AGREED we repaire it with the best of Timbers and

ORDERD That the Buxey [*bakhshī*] take particular care to See the Arches well turn'd with the best materials.

1287.—TWO MARRIAGES.

May 14th.

This day Thomas Beaver who keeps a Punch house in this place, was married to Mary Gordon[3] widdow to Captain John Gordon.

Wednesday, May 20th.

The 20th Instant Mr William Cowley Factor[4] was married to Mrs Jane Harris.

1288.—LETTER FROM PATNA TO PRESIDENT FEAKE.[5]

May 23rd

To the Honble Samuel Feake Esqr Govr off Fort William and Presidt ffor Affairs of ye Honble Compa off Merchts off England trading to ye East Indies &ca Councill In Bengall.

Honble Sr and Srs

Mr Brown being att Singia [Singhiyā]: H: Barker wrote yor Honr &c Separately; advising of ye Surprizing news from Court. The same is now confirm'd, admitting off no dispute. The Siccas off ye new presumptive King are Stamped according to ye enclosed Copy.[6]

This project has been hatching by Nazzam-mul-moolk [Niẓāmu-l-Mulk] &c Tartars; and Raja Jesseign Sowy [Jaisimha Sawāe] ye Rangepoote [Rājpū]

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[1] The moon was new on May 8.

[2] May 17 was Whit Sunday.

[3] Mary Gordon came out in 1713 to join her husband Capt. John Gordon in the garrison of Fort William, *English in Bengal*, II, I, 342. In December, 1713, Capt. Gordon killed Andrew Macdowle, mate of the *Charleton*, in a quarrel, and was sent to England to be dealt with by the Court of Directors. *Ib.* 150, 151.

[4] See below § 1340.

[5] This is not in the Consultation Book, but was found amongst the *Miscellaneous Letters Received*, 1719, at the India Office.

[6] The coin, says Mr. Irvine, bore the words :

Ba zar zad sikkah ṣāḥib-i-qirāni
Shāh Nekūsiyar, Taimūr-i sāni.

'On gold was struck the stamp of the Lord of the Fortunate Conjunctions, the emperor Nakūsiyar, a second Taimūr.' (Khāfi Khān, II, 825.)

Butt was begun by one Mittersein [Mitr Sen] a Bramin, who calculated the Lucky Minute: and whom Neekosheer [Nekūsīyar] made 5000 Munsub [*manṣab*] Advancing ye Kiladar [*qila'hdār*] off Agra afterwards to the Same degree.

The manner was as follows:—

"The Prince being taken out off Prison; was brought just without ye Fort-Gate; & then returning back; Seated on the throne, He distributed many thousand Rupees Charity: and many Omrahs [*umarās*] and Muntsubdars [*manṣabdārs*] off his interest came and made their appearance. The King sent and Summon'd the Subah [*ṣūbahdār*] Syud Gyrut Caun [Sayyad Ghairat Khān] to appear: Butt he refusing The Fort Cannon were immediately discharged in his house: which being fforced to leave, and after a warm engagement, He retired with a very few Horse to wards Dilly.

Advices from Dilly tell us that Omeer-al Omrah [*Amīru-l-umarā*. i.e., Husain 'Alī Khān] is marched two days journey towards Agra: So y^t^ iff He ffinds his Competitors eager as himself: there must Shortly ensue a very warm battle. Many believe ye Other side is nott in Such haste; who though already amounting to more than 60000 horse Expect farther enforcement from Seerbulund Caun [Sarbuland Khān] Chivileram [Chhabēlah Rām] & Sundry disgusted Omrahs [*umarās*]. Delays must prove very destructive to the Generall Affairs off this Kingdom.[1]

We hear Our Nabob Caunzumma Bahauder [Khān Zamān, Bahādur, governor of Bahār at Patnah] (altho' himself has not yet declared itt) has rec^d^ [an] Order & Husbul Hoocum [*ḥasbu-l-ḥukm*] of Encouragement From ye new King Neeko-sheer [Nekūsīyar]. He promises to keep great order in this City. Butt know nott how soon the Event off a battle, or any other turn may induce him to break his word; or suffer others to make a prey off itt.

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[1] Mr. Irvine notes as follow on these events:—

'The outbreak at Āgrah fort began on the 18th May 1719 N.S. 7th May O.S.; and next day Nekūsiyar was shown to the people from the top of the fort gate, with a royal, i.e., red umbrella over his head. Nekūsiyar, third but eldest surviving son of prince Akbar (fourth son of 'Ālamgīr, born 21st September 1657 N.S., died at Mashhad, 31st March 1706 N.S.), was born on the 4th December 1679 N.S., and since the early part of the year 1681 had been a prisoner in Āgrah fort. Mitr Sen, Brahman, his private servant, had gained over the garrison. The malcontent nobles, Niẓāmu-l-mulk, Rajah Jai Singh Sawāe, and Chhabīlah Rām, Nāgar, governor of Allahabad, were supposed to be ready to take Nekūsiyar's side. Niẓam-ul-mulk, then in his government of Mālwah, procrastinated as usual and waited to see "which way the cat jumped"; Chhabīlah Rām became entangled in a zamīndārī rising at Kālpī, engineered by Muḥammad Khān, Bangash, in the interests of the Sayyads. Jai Singh, Sawāe, who was not much of a soldier, did certainly move out of his capital Amber, ready to do or die, he and his men clad in saffron raiment with bridal garlands on their heads, having made a dying gift of his capital city in *punyā-dām* to the Brahmans. He hovered about within his own frontier without venturing on an advance to the relief of Āgrah. Deprived of all outside aid, the rising was doomed to failure.

The governor of the Āgrah provinces Ghairat Khān, nephew of the two Sayyads, did certainly quit his mansion just opposite the fort, when the fort guns began to knock it about his ears. Far from retreating, however, he stood his ground manfully, and succeeded in preventing the disturbance passing beyond the fort walls. Ḥusain 'Alī Khan did not be in his march towards Āgrah until the 12th June 1719 O.S.'

We cannot possibly declare our Honble Masters Effects out off danger: 'tho' our utmost endeavours shall not be wanting ffor their preservation. In the mean time most off our Petre & many other Goods are abroad: where ye Rebell Jemidars [*zamīndārī*] have great enticement: according to ye late account we have given yor Hon^r &c^a off them.

We believed itt necessary to advise ye boates (iff possibly on their way) off this accident, As any ffarther advices arrive, we Shall be puntuall in transmitting y^m to yor Honr &c^a Endeavouring likewise to Secure our Factorys ffrom theiving.

We are
Honble S^r and S^rs
Yo^r most Obed^t Hum: Serv^ts
S. BROWNE
HUGH BARKER

PATNA
May 28rd
1719.

1289.—SALE OF PERPETUANOES.

Monday, May 25th.

Our Broaker Barnarseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh] acquainting us he has an opportunity of disposing of all our ordinary Perpetuanoes and part of the fine in Barter for goods to be deliver'd in this Season according to the Companys musters provided. We will take Eighteen Rupees per Peice for the ordinary and Twenty-nine Rupees per Peice for the fine.

We having taken this matter into Consideration this Twenty days find it is not possible to raise the price and as we may expect another parcel by the Coming Ships we think it highly requisite for the Honble Companys Interest that we let it go on those terms, wherefore

ORDER'D that M^r. William Spencer Import warehousekeeper deliver the same to the following Merchants Vizt—

Gungaramdass [Gangarāmā Das]—Connordass [Kuñwar Dās]—Mullick Chund [Malikchand, or perhaps Manīkchand]—Amichund [Amichand][1]—

The which to be charged to each mans Account in the proportions as they shall agree.

1290.—A NEW PRETENDER TO THE THRONE.

Monday, June 1st.

The 29th Ultimo receivd a Letter from Mr John Deane &c^a at Cossimbuzar dated the 26th enclosing their Cash Account & Charges Generall for the month of Aprill, they likewise send us Copy of Mr Barker's Letter from Patna

[1] We have here an early mention of the 'Omichund,' the celebrated Jain merchant. The name is common enough, though it has puzzled some writers. The correct form is undoubtedly Amichand, in Sanskrit, Amritachandra, moon of nectar.

to them dated the 21st wherein he advises that the Killadar [*qila'hdār*] or Governour of Agra Fort had seated Ecubars [Akbar's] Son on the throne so that there is now two Competitors for the Empire. The 13th came to hand Mr Barker's Letter dated the 21st with the aforesaid News.[1]

1291.—RETRACTATION OF THE LETTERS ALREADY DESPATCHED TO DELHI.

June 1st. This News of a sudden Insurrection in the Kingdom and the Setting up of another of the Royall Blood in opposition to the Present King Ruffeulder Jeaut [Rafī'u:d-darājāt] being confirmed and as tis reported the Prince now sett up in Agra has much the superiour Force[2] must undoubtedly put the whole Country in a Commotion by the many Rajahs & Jemidars [*zamīndārs*] now in arms who will be continually plundering till a Battle desides who shall be King & only one acknowledged & seated quietly on the Throne.

AGREED. That we immediately write to Patna to put a Stop to our last Letters dated the 13th May when we sent our Letters to the King & Grand Vizier Abdula Cawn ['Abdu-llah Khān] as also a Letter to Mitterseen [Mitrsen] our Vacqueell [*vakīl*] at Court enclosing a bill of Exchange for one Thousand Sicca Rupees, which we order'd them to forward to him at Dilly as also to repeat what wrote them in our last that they forbear scattering or trusting our Honble Masters money abroad whilst the Country Continues in Arms & Rebellion, the bills they have now drawn on us bearing date the 17th of May which is four days before the news of a new Competitor had reach'd Patna.

Wherefore AGREED we accept them & order that they draw no more till the Government is again Settled in Peace & Quietness.

1292.—REFUND OF CONSULAGE TO THE ATTORNEYS OF MR. FRANKLAND.

June 1st. The Attorneys of Mr Henry Frankland having twice paid Consulage for the Cargoe of the *Success* Brigantine dispatch'd by them in December last to Fort St. George as appears by the Cash Accounts for the Months of January & March being Two Per Cent on Rupees Six Thousand four hundred Forty four, Three anaes, Six pyce, the Amount of her Stock, which is Rupees one hundred twenty eight, fourteen anaes, Three pyce, that Vessell never returning from her first Voyage this last Monsoon,

AGREED the President reimburse them what paid in the Month of January Last.

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[1] See ante § 1288, where the news had been received direct from Patnah.

[2] This was quite a mistake, as the result showed.

1293.—ZAMÍNDÁRI ACCOUNT FOR APRIL 1719.[1]

Thursday, June 4th.[2]

Particulars.	Rs.	A.	P.
By Gain on Cowries [*kauṛīs*]	19	13	9
„ Ground Rent	1287	11	3
„ Duty on Grain	87	5	9
„ Mangon [*mangan*]	393	4	6
„ Moldarree [*māldāri*]	5	7	0
„ Duty on Arrack	206	0	6
„ Weighmen	159	4	6
„ Sale of Ground	27	4	6
„ Sale of Paddy	111	4	0
„ Sale of Trees	14	10	3
„ Toubuzzary [*tahbāzārī*]	149	10	9
„ Fish	8	9	0
„ Wood	8	5	0
„ Potts	1	4	0
„ Caulkers	36	4	6
„ Banians [*banyans*]	5	14	9
„ Bramins [*Brahmans*]	2	5	0
„ Laying boats ashore	2	4	0
„ Ferry Boats	7	4	9
„ Butty [*bhetī*]	70	14	0
„ Cotton Beaters	1	13	3
„ Vermillion	22	14	9
„ The Markett	249	5	3
„ Suba Bazar [S'obhā Bāzār]	69	9	9
„ Begum Bazar [Begam Bāzār]	25	9	3
„ Delolly [*dallāli*] of the Markett	2	13	0
„ Jean Buzar [Jān Bāzār]	25	1	3
„ Conjee [*kānjī*]	0	9	0
„ Hoggs	1	1	9
„ Sale of Houses	67	6	3
„ Sallame [*salāmī*] of Pottahs [*paṭṭas*] ...	110	5	0
„ Recovering debts	44	15	6
„ Peons Fees	164	0	0
„ Marriages	147	13	0
„ Sale of Slaves	23	1	9
„ Fines	48	6	0
„ Bang [*bhang*]	88	14	0
„ Sale of Houses belonging to People run away ...	77	12	9
„ Catwally [*kotwālī*] for looking after the Houses	5	7	3
„ Giram Tilly [Jairām Telī] rent gatherer of Suba Bazar [Sobhā Bāzār].	95	13	0
	3877	9	6
Charges deducted ...	344	11	0
Rupees ...	3532	14	6

[1] See § 1090 above.

[2] The moon was new on June 7.

1294.—EFFORTS AGAINST ANGRIA.[1]

Wednesday, June 10th.

By the *Shawallum* who left Madrass the 23rd Ultimo Receiv'd a Generall Letter from Bombay dated the 18th Aprill wherein they acknowledge the recruit of men we sent them last year, & beg we would Continue to be farther assisting when we can by any of our Shipping bound thither; they advise of an attempt they made against Angria but proved unsuccessfull tho have done him abundance of Damage retaking four Prizes and preventing his making Capture of any Vessells of Burthen this Season. They likewise advise they have dispatchd Ships *Duke of York, Morrice, Stanhope, Addison* & *Dartmouth* all for Europe this Season tho' the last being too late to go about the Cape they have order'd to lay at Madrass till August & then proceed to Great Brittain.

1295.—THE BAKHSHĪ TO TAKE CHARGE OF CHARLES PECK'S EFFECTS.

Thursday, June 11th.

Mr Charles Peck supra Cargoe of the Brigantine *Elizabeth* dying at Anjango on his Return in a Voyage from the Maldavas having made a will dated the 4th of December 1718 wherein he appoints Mr Waterworth Collett of this board Trustee to remitt his Estate for the Use of his Son in England the Will appears to be all Written with his own Hand, Signed but neither Seald nor Witnessed Wherefore Mr Waterworth Collett now delivers in to this Board the original Will Account Sale of his Effects & his Account Current as receiv'd from Mr William Isuifford Cheif of that Settlement where he dyed as also a bill of lading for what Ship'd on board the above Brigantine for Account of the deceas'd & requests that the Buxey [*bakhshī*] may take Charge of the same & pay the produce into the Companys Cash as in cases when People dye intestate or their Wills Cannot be prov'd.

AGREED The Buxey [*bakhshī*] take Charge of the same & that the intended Will and all Accounts now receiv'd from Anjango be registred after this Consultation.

1.—Mr. Charles Peck's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I Charles Peck being in indifferent Health but in perfect and Sound memory think it Convenient of making this my last Will and Testament.

Imprimis I resign my Soul to God who gave it me in hopes of a Rosurrection of my body through the merritts of my dear Saviour Jesus Christ.

[1] See above § 1242.

Secondly. After all my Debts and Funerall Charges being paid the remainder of money to be remitted to my Good Friend Mr Thomas Cantram Merchant in London for the use of my son John Peck, who is at present under his care and Protection.

Amongst my Rings there is one innamild with black, in the inside of it is two hearts joyn'd that Ring I earnestly desire to be sent home for England to the abovesaid Mr Cantram for the use of my Son all the rest of my Effects good[s] &c^{a} to be sold and made the best of.

To this my Will I do beg and desire Mr Waterworth Collett Merchant in Bengall to take upon him the trouble to be my Trustee and do leave him for a small acknowledgement a gold Ring of Twenty Shillings Starling of England Value.

I desire my Funerall to be decent & at as little Charge & Cost as possable, dated on board the *Elizabeth* Brigantine this fourth day of December in the Year of our Lord 1718.

CHARLES PECK.

2.—Mr. Charles Peck's effects.

Anjango Aprill the 14th 1719.

Account Sale of Mr Charles Peck deceas'd his Effects at Outcry.

	r.	r.
Dr The Worship^{ll} William Gyfford		
To a Parcell of Mocha Buttons with a plain Gold Ring ...	6	
To a large Silver Spoon, Tea Spoon, a Tongue scraper, & a pair of Silver Buckells	8½	
To a bag of Powder Blew	4½	
To 1 Pr. of New Silk Stockings	5¼	
To 16 Turnover Neckcloths	4¾	
To a Lott of Books containing 13	11	
To a Purse with a Crown Peice, 7 Bitts of Silver & 3 of Gold	6¼	
	——	46¼
Dr Mr Simon Cowse		
To 2 Razors, a Hone, Penknife &c^{a} odd things ...	9	
To a Parcell of Medicines, a little Spice, two bundles of Quils and 2 Wash balls	3	
To 5 Quire of Small Paper	2¼	
To a writing Escrutore	20	
To 1 Europe old Coate	1¼	
To a Europe Case with twelve bottles and 2 of which Brandy	13	
To a Lott of Books containing 17	3	
	——	51½
Carried over ...		97¾

	r.	r.
Brought over ...		97¾
Dr Mr Samuell Ince		
To ½ piece of Pullicatt red Gingham	5	
To 8 Bengall Handkerchiefs & a parcell of Coarse Caps ...	2½	
To 4 Shirts, 2 Table Cloths and 3 Napkins	7	
To a Small Chest	2¼	
To a new Plain Hatt	5½	
To a plain Hat Worn	4	
To some old Banyan Coats Wastecoats Breeches & Draws	16½	
To a Chint Quilt with 6 Chint pillowbars 2 pillows & Bed	11	
To a Parcell of Bengall Shoes	4	
To a Large Chest	6	
		63¾
Dr Lieutenant Thos Millington		
To 11 White Shirts	6½	
To a new Hatt	7	
		3½
Dr Lieutenant Peter Lapthorn		
To 16 Caps 4 Handkerchiefs 3 Pr of Stockings & Remnant of Sanoes		7
Dr Captain Mare Lybourne		
To a Pair of Back Gammon tables	6	
To Silver Hilted Sword a Cane with a gold Ferrell & a belt	24	
		30
Dr Captain Willm Botticum		
To 3 Pair of Silk Stockings	9	
To 3 old Bob Wiggs with a wig box & 3½ Pounds of Powder	8	
To a Bundle of Torter Shell about 15 lbs.	20½	
		37½
Dr Mr		
To a Long White Wigg	12	
To a Black Taffaty Coate	6	
		18
Dr Serjeant Cock		
To a Brass hilted Sword & Belt		
		6
Dr Thomas Richard		
To a Parcell of old Cloths much Worn		
		20
Carried over ...		293¼

		r.	r.
	Brought over ...		293¼
Dr Ignatio Malkeir			
To a red Madrass Gingham Coate with Mocha Stone Buttons a Bengall Work'd Waistecoat and breeches 3 pr of white Stockings and 3 pr draws		11	
To 2 Bengall work'd Wastecoats & Breechees with a Sett of Mocha Stone Buttons Set in Silver ...		23	
To an Empty Danzick Case, with 15 Bottles ...		6	
To a Carpenters Hammer 6 Candles &ca Trumpery ...		4	0
To a Laced Hatt Worn		6	
			50
Dr Lawrence Johnson			
To a Parcell of dirty Cloaths			4
			347¼
Deduct Commission 5 pr ct.	17½		
Paid the Cryer to the Outcry	6		
			23¼
Rupees ...			324

Errors Excepted.
Pr Wm Gyfford.

3.—*Mr Charles Peck deceas'd.*

Dr.	Rs.	Cr.	Rs.
To Cash lent him in Tann.	8	By Cowries 135 Cottahs at 4 rupees per Cotta ...	540
To Chequeens paid the Doctor per his order 10 at 4 each	40	By Batavia Arrack 2 Legurs at 90 Rupees per Legur	180
To 1½ pce of fine white Cloth to make Scarffs ...	27	By 6 Knives and Forks bought of him when living	8
To a Coffine and other Funerall Charges ...	20	By the amount of his Outcry as per Account	324
To Cash given a Serjeant & Soldiers that tended on him during his ilness ...	18	Rupees ...	1052
To Cash paid the Washerman	1		
To Pepper laden on board the *Elizabeth* Brigantine for the Ballance of his Account 13 Candys 3 Mds at 70 Rupees per Candy	938		
Rupees ...	1052		

Anjango the 17 Aprill 1719.

Errors Excepted.
Wm Gyfford.

1296.—EXAMINATION AT NEGAPATAM OF FOUR SAILORS FROM OSTEND.

Thursday, 16th June.

Received a Generall Letter from Fort S[t]. George dated the 29th May which came by Ship *Oxford* a Country Ship wherein they advise they shall dispatch the *Queen & Disbouverie* in July or August and some other Ship in October for which Reason they desire we would Send them up upon ffreight one Thousand bags of Petre because all the Companys Vessells under their direction are fully employ'd, they Send us also enclosed an Examination of four Sailors at Negapatam as came out in a French Interloper with the Emperours Commission who arriv'd at Nagoor[1] near Negapatam the latter End of Aprill last, they have since been kindly Receiv'd by the Danes at Trincombar they likewise advise that said Ship designs for Bengall.

Declaration taken from William Van Sawell of Mastrigt, Jan Adolf Ring of Gottenborg, Johannes Peen of New Castle & John Smith of Scarburg, all four come from Ostend & came out of Ship Call'd the *Emperour Charles* bound to the East India's, & on the 7th Instant arrivd at Nagoore which is an hours Journey to the Northward of Nagapatam and under the Government of Tangor.

They declare it thirteen months since they came from Ostend in the Ship named the *Emperour Charles*, she was formerly named the *Griffine* a Zealand Caper, she now carrys forty eight Guns & one hundred & fifty men including Eight and twenty Officers besides Twenty four boys, the main part of them are flemmings with Some French and English, the Commander is a French man by birth, his name is De la Merveille, the first place they came to was Cork in Ireland where they took in Cows and Water &c[a] for the Voyage, the Water which they took in at Ostend proved foul & not fitt for drinking from thence we saild and the Second Captain named . . . Gerbrands was born at Ostend; and a merchant whose name we know not, We had an English Merchant who was part Owner of the Ship disagreeing with the Captain was putt ashore in Ireland & took in another in his place, from thence we saild to S[t]. Jago where we lost two anchors and had but one Anchor when we saild from thence to the Cape of Good Hope, when we arriv'd there the Government would not give us any assistance, from thence we was forced to sail to Sardaw Bay where we stayd Six Weeks and took in Refreshment, whilst we was there we were informed of the arrivall of the King of France his Shipe at the Cape, & in our passage we met her at Sea who gave us Water and other assistance, Whilst we was at the Cape of Good Hope a Certain Merchant named Meyen who come off with his Wife & Daughter and brought two anchors with him, whose family is still on board, the reason of his leaving the place was because there was some demands

[1] Nāgūr, serpent village, is four miles north of Negapatam.

upon him since which the Fiscall has seiz'd on his Effects for leaving the place, afterwards we was forced back again the said Meyen went a Shore and brought off a Galliot loaded with Fresh Provissions which was against the orders of the Government of the place, so that we were in all three months from the Cape to Sardaw Bay, from thence we saild for India and the first place we touch'd at was Anjango on the Coast of Mallabar an English Settlement where we came to an Anchor, the Second Captain went on Shore and meeting with no assistance came off much dissatisfied from thence, We went down the Coast and came to an Anchor at the White Pageda where we found a ffrench Vessell with two Masts in the road, our Captain Went on board of her with a Romish Priest which could Speak Portugueze, from him we were supplyed with Liquors, the Captain of the French Vessell desired We would repair his boat that was unserviceable to him, we took her on board and refitted her, but our Ship sailing better than the French Vessell, we arrived at Nagoor some days before him, where we deliver'd him his Boat when he came to the Road, and then we sent our sick men on Shore.

When we was on the Coast of Mallibar we took in a Small Quantity of Pepper, when they sail'd out of Ostend they declared that the[y] design'd to do no harm to any Ship on the Seas, and before she saild out of Ostend she rais'd her sailors by beat of Drum declaring they was bound to the East India's but never mentiond to what Part or how long they Should be out, the pay which they give to their Sailors is from twelve, Thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen Gilders per Month, the ballast of the Ship is Guns and doubleheaded Shot, the Cargo is fine[fire?]arms, Swords, Corall and Broadcloth, she has the Emperors Passport and has throughout the Voyage wore the Emperours Colours but Since She came upon the Coast she uses French Colours.

The Cheif Mate of the Ship is an Amsterdamer named . . . Verbarg who was formerly in the Dutch East India Companys Service who is very well known at Negapatam, the Second mate was born at the same place whose name is John . . . . the Third mate is an Ostender his name is Francis, the Second Commander is either an Englishman or an Irishman his name is S . . . Ree, they have on board a Roman Preist that is a Frenchman who is the Father Confessor to the Commander of the Ship.

Cornelius Van Outvett, Secretaris.

Negapatam.
The 7th May, 1719.

1297.—DUTCH TENNANTS TO BE RECEIVED UNDER OUR PROTECTION.

Thursday, June 18th. Rambudder Jemindar [Rāmabhadra *samīndār*] who lately detaind under his protection Gyram Telly [Jairāma Telī] one of the Honble Companys Tenants who

was then indebted to them till after severall skirmishes we obliged him to be deliver'd as per Consultation of the 2nd of March having Since plunder'd the whole Town of Barnagur an adjacent place belonging to the Dutch Company & severall of the Inhabitants who were Tenants to the Dutch being come into our Town and request our Protection.

AGREED.—The Jemindar [*zamīndār*] do permitt all such to Settle here that render a good Account of themselves & have been obliged to fly for [the] Security of their ffamilys.

1298.—CAPTAIN HURST'S REPORT OF THE OSTEND SHIP.

June 18th. This Morning arrived the Ship *Frances* Captain William Hurst from Fort St. George who left Ballasore Road the 15th Inst. where he passed by a large Ship with her main top mast down & as he says shewed French Colours which we suppose must be a Ship from Ostend, who we lately had advice was at Trincombar under the Emperours Colours a white flagg with the Spread Eagle in the middle as we have already sent the Proclamation down to Ballasore with farther particular orders not only to our pylots but to all others who expect any favour or protection from us so we think none such dare go on board or give them any assistance & that our Merchants here may not plead forgetfulness of our former orders in Consultation of the 15th Sept. 1718.

ORDERED.—That our Broker do now again repeat the same to them & all Inhabitants under our protection that they neither directly nor indirectly have any Comerce or the least Correspondence with them.

1299.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR MAY 1719.[1]

Thursday, June 18th. The Muster Rolls of both Companys of Soldiers musterd & paid for the month of May was laid before us by Mr William Spencer Buxey [*bakhshī*].

1 See those for April, § 1284 above.

Abstract of Major Richard Hunts Company for the month of May, 1719—

		r.
1	Major	65
1	Lieutenant ...	35
1	Ensigne	24
1	Master of Arms ...	20
1	Serjeant Major ...	20
1	Marshall	20
8	Serjeants	160
8	Corporalls	104
1	Drum Major ...	20
4	Drummers	46
79	Europeans	790
3	Rounders	18
54	Portugueze ...	270
	Rupees	1692

On Command at Cossimbuzar.

10 Europeans.

173 Men.

Abstract of Captain Henry Dallibars Company for the month of May 1719—

		r.
1	Lieutenant ...	35
1	Ensigne	24
8	Serjeants	160
8	Corporalls	104
4	Drummers	40
52	Europeans	250
3	Rounders	18
56	Portugueze	280
	Rupees	1181

On Command at Cossimbuzar.

1 Lieutenant.

1 Drummer.

15 Europeans.

150 Men.

1300.—WILL OF WILLIAM BARBOT.

Monday, June 22nd.

The Last Will & Testament of William Barbot deceased was now produced by Thomas Dixon & Nicholas Pamphilon, Executors thereof but Thomas Dixon being one of the Witnesses has now Relinquished being Executor or Legatee.

Copy of William Barbot's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I William Barbott of Bengall Marriner being very sick and weak but of perfect minde and memmoray do ordaine this to be my last will and Testament and do Reuoke and Disanull all former will writt by me and in my Name to be Voyde.

Imprimice. I doe giue and bequeth my Soule unto God that first gaue itt me hopeing throw his grate mercie to have remition of all my sins & that he will take mee into his Heavenley Mansion.

My Bodey I desire may be decently buried in the Deep,

Item. As for whatt small matters it has pleased God to bless me with in this world I doe dispose of itt in manner following appointing Captain Thomas Dixon and Nicholas Pamphilon as Executors Im Powring them to Sue at sutch Dept. [?] as is or shall become due to me and in my name and to pay my Dets if I have aney.

Item. I giue & bequeath unto my trustey slave boy George his freedom and two hundred Rupees current of Bangal and desire that he might be put prentice to a Carpenter if he is willing.

Item. I give & bequeath unto my beloued friend Thos. Dixon a Slaue boy named Hector and desire that he should not be sould or given away in case of Captain Dixon Decease but to have his freedom.

Item. I give & bequeath unto my well beloued freind Nicolas Pamphilon one hundred Current Rewpees of Bengall.

And unto my well beloued friend Robert Hanson one hundred Current Rewpees of Bengall with my Chest & Cloth &c^{a} Odd things.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my well beloued freind Samuell Simpson all the remainder partt of my personall Estate and in case of his Deceace which God forbid I dissire itt may be giuen to Patrick Duharley of Charnigull Bengall, this will being writt by me when very sick and weak, I dessire there may be no objections against itt but stand in full for[c]e and Power being the year of our Souer Rain Lord King George made on Cost of Mallabar the year of our Lord God 1717/8 being the 30th of January.

Signd seald & deliuer'd in the presence of us where no stampt paper is to be had.

Wm. Barbott Seal.

Thos. Dixon
Stepn. Sidney

Memorandum. This last Will and Testament of William Barbott deceased was produced before Samuell Feake Esqr President &c^{a} Councill for affairs of the Honble United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies in Bengall the 22nd day of June 1719 to which as Witnesses Captain Thomas Dixon & Stephen [Sidney] appeard and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists did declare upon Oath that they saw the Testator Wm Barbott Signe Seale and declare this to be his last Will & Testament & that he was perfectly in his Senses when he sign'd & Seal'd it, and it being objected that Captain Thomas Dixon cannot be a lawfull Witness because he is one of the Trustees, declares he will Relinquish his Trusteeship & Legacy In Witness whereof We the President and Councill have hereunto set our Hands the day & Year abovementiond.

1301.—BROWNE RECALLED FROM PATNA.

Thursday, June 25th.

The Honble Company having thought fitt in their Letter per Ship *Mary* dated the 8th January 1717 to Reduce the Number of the Councill to seven persons, whereof one must of necessity reside at Cossimbuzar Factory and Mr Sam^ll Browne being at present at Patna which occasions most of us to take Charge of two Offices.

AGREED That Mr Samuell Browne do return and take his place at this board and that Mr Edward Stephenson who in Consultation dated the 2nd of July was appointed as Second be now Cheif & Mr Thomas Falconer Second both who will become Senior Merchants this ensuing season.

ORDERD They do get themselves in a Readyness to proceed to that Settlement.

1302.—DEATH OF RAFI'U-D-DARAJÂT.[1]

Thursday, July 2nd.[2]

The 30th Ultimo receiv'd a short Letter from Mr John Deane &c^a at Cossimbazar dated the 26th inclosing a Phird [*fard*] of a Wacca [*waqāyā*], wherein it mentions the Death of Ruffieuldur Jaut [Rafi'u-d-darajāt] of the small pox & incloses their Charges Generall and Cash Account for the month of May.

1303.—ZAMÎNDÂRI ACCOUNT FOR MAY, 1719.

Thursday, July 9th.

Mr Waterworth Collett Jemindar [*samīndār*] now laid before us the Account of Revenues for the month of May, the Gross amount whereof being Three Thousand fifty seven Rupees one anae three pyce.

ORDERD That it pass Errors Excepted and be deliverd the Accountant, the Ballance Two Thousand Seven Hundred & fourteen Rupees five anaes, six pyce being paid into Cash.

1304.—REPORTED DEATH OF ABDU-LLAH KHÂN.

Thursday July 9th

The 3rd Instant receiv'd a Letter from Messrs Samuell Browne & Hugh Barker at Patna dated the 20th Ultimo wherein they advise us that they have received News from Dilly that Abdulla Cawn [Abdu-llah Khān] the

[1] He was deposed on the 17th Rajab, 1131H, that is May 25, 1719; and died on the 24th Rajab, that is June 1, 1719. Beale, however, says he died on the 19th Rajab, 1131 H., that is the 27th May, 1719 O.S.

[2] The moon was new on July 6.

Grand Vizier dyed with a Stoppage in his Urine which is supposed will favour the Interest of the Agra King Neckoseer [Nekūsiyar].

1305.—DESPATCH OF 1,000 BAGS OF SALTPETRE TO MADRAS BY THE *LONDON*.

Monday, July 13th

Ship *London* belonging to the Gentlemen of Madrass being the first Conveyance to that Port,

AGREED We send on her one Thousand bags of Salt Petre on freight account of the Honble Company being according to their Earnest Request in their Letter dated the 16 June that came per Ship *Oxford*.

1306.—ARRIVAL OF THE *PRINCE FREDERICK*.

Tuesday, July 14th.

Last night Mr Richard Eyre came up from the *Prince Frederick* with the Honble Companys Packett which being open'd contain'd Companys Generall Letter to Bengall dated the 17th October 1718 etc. etc.

1307.—DISTURBED STATE OF COUNTRY.

Thursday, July 16th.

The 13th Instant receivd a Generall from Patna intended an Answer to ours of the 22nd Ultimo wherein they seem not to apprehend any danger of the City being plunderd but that it will require a strong Party to prevent opposition our boats may meet in their way up the road being disturb'd from Tillirgmy [? Teliagalī] upwards & desire the broad Cloth may be all ordinary & most green.

Wherefore AGREED we now send them one Hundred and fifty Bales of ordinary Green and fifty ordinary red being the Quantity they before wrote for in their Letter dated 23rd Feb^ry^ last and that Mr William Spencer Importwarehousekeeper do lade the same on good boats with the Convenient Expedition.

1308.—ORDER TO STOP MAKING *ḌORIÀ* MUSLIN.

Thursday, July 16th.

Upon Compairing the Additionall List [of Investment per *Frederick*] with what before orderd We find we have exceeded in no Sortments but the Dooreas [*ḍoriàs*] which we could not imagine would be entirely forbidden.

AGREED The Broker be immediately sent for and acquainted with our Honble Masters orders and that he put a Stop to all that are not already made.

1309.—PILOT SENT TO BRING UP THE *PRINCE FREDERICK*.[1]

Thursday, July 16th. Captain Edward Martin requesting a Pylott of Us to bring his Ship up before the Fort.

ORDERED That Richard Deane Pylott do immediately go down and take charge of Ship *Prince Frederick* to pylot her up & to take the *Cossimbuzar* Sloop to attend him & that the *Charles* Sloop do now proceed to Ballasore Road to wait the arrivall of the Expected Shipping.

1310.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR JUNE, 1719.

Monday, July 20th. The Muster Rolls of both Companys of Soldiers mustred & paid for the month of June was now laid before us by Mr William Spencer, Buxey [*bakhshī*].

Muster Rolls for June.

Abstract of Major Richard Hunts Company for the Month of June, 1719.

		r.
1	Major ...	65
1	Lieutenant ...	35
1	Ensigne ...	24
1	Master of Arms ...	20
1	Serjeant Major ...	20
1	Marshall ...	20
8	Serjeants ...	160
9	Corporals ...	117
1	Drum Major ...	20
4	Drummers ...	40
76	Europeans ...	760
7	Do. 23 Days	52-8
9	Do. 20 do.	60-3
8	Do. 13 do.	35
3	Rounders ...	18
54	Portugueze ...	270
		1716-11

On Command at Cossimbuzar

9 Europeans

194 Men

Abstract of Captain Henry Dallibars Company for the Month of June 1719.

		r.
1	Lieutenant ...	35
1	Ensigne	24
8	Serjeants ...	160
8	Corporalls ...	140
4	Drummers ...	40
64	Europeans ...	625
3	Rounders ...	18
54	Portugueze ...	285
	Rupees ...	1,291

On Command at Cossimbuzar

1 Lieutenant

1 Drummer

14 Europeans

165 Men[2]

[1] See those for May, § 1299 above.

[2] There is some mistake here either in the entries or the addition. The total is 159 men

1311.—TWO HUNDRED MEN TO BE SENT TO PATNA.

Thursday, July 23rd. Mr William Spencer Importwarehousekeeper having according to order of Consultation dated the 16th Laden Two Hundred Bales of broad Cloth on board Sundry good boats for Patna & we Considering the vast Loss that accrews to our Honble Masters by Remittances to supply that Settlement.

Agreed That We deliver into the Charge of Messrs Edward Stephenson & Thomas Faulconer Ten Chests of Treasure that they may give out their Dadney [*dādnī*] for Petre &c^{a} in October which is the Very best Season to Commence their Investment for the Ensuing Year and as the Ways are Still pestred with Robbers during the Discontent amongst the Court Party—

Agreed We send a Party of Two hundred able Men, at Least three fourths Europeans under the Command of Major Hunt a Lieutenant & two Ensignes &c^{a} Officers which we judge a Party full sufficient to oppose any Enemy that Infests the Banks of the River betwixt this Place & Patna & what is further to be Consider'd we know they must be of good Service on their arrivall at Patna in assisting & getting in the Petre &c^{a} goods that may be at The Severall Aurungs [*aurangs*] & distant places where during these Times the Country Merchants are often insulted and sometimes plunderd by the Jemindar [*samīndār*] for want of Protection.

1312.—DUPLICATE DESPATCHES RECEIVED.

Tuesday, July 28th. Last Night arrived us a Generall Letter from the Honble Court of Directors dated the 17th October & Came per Ship *King William* & forwarded by the Honble Governour and Councill of Fort St George per Ship *Francis* Captain Greenslate a Country Ship Duplicate of which Came to hand the 14th Instant per Ship *Prince Frederick*.

1313.—RECOVERY OF ABDU-LLAH KHĀN.

July 28th. The 25th Instant receivd a Letter from Mr John Deane &c^{a} at Cossimbuzar dated the 21st Inclosing their Charges Generall & Cash Account for the month of June as also Copy of King Shaw Jehawns [Shāh Jahān's][1] the Dilly Kings Phirmaund [*farmān*] to our Subah

[1] Shāh Jahān Sānī, or the Second, the title of Rafī'u-d-daulah, elder brother of, and successor to, Rafī'u-d-darajāt.

[ṣūbahdār] Jaffer Cawn [Ja'far Khān] with three Dilly Vaccaes [*waqā'yās*] by which its confirm'd that Abdulla Cawn ['Abdu-llah Khān] is perfectly recoverd of his Late Indisposition.[1]

1314.—EUROPE PACKETS PER SHIPS *DAWSON* AND *CADOGAN* RECEIVED.

Sunday, August 2nd.[2]

This Afternoon Came up from Ships *Cadogan* & *Dawson* Mr Humphrys Cole which brought up their Packetts and being opend contains as follows —Companys Generall Letter to Bengall dated the 9th January 1718-9 etc. etc.

1315.—SURVEY OF BROAD CLOTH SENT BY THE *PRINCE FREDERICK*.

Thursday, August 6th.[3]

In Pursuance of an Order of Consultation of the 3rd Instant we have survey'd the Broad Cloth *per* Ship *Prince Frederick* and find the following damage, Viz: Broad Cloth Aurora by Retale.

Bales	Pce		yds.	ns.	r.	a.			
No. 692	No. 2076	qty. 17 yds. damaged	2	12	@ 3	9			
per yd.	...	...	...		...		9	12	9
Which we sell to our Merchants at 100 per Cent advance	...	...	...		...		9	12	9
		Rupees			...		19	9	6

Fort William
the 6th August 1719.

Wm. Spencer
W. Collett
E. Martin

1316.—CASSIMBAZAR LETTER WITH NEWS ABOUT ḤUSAIN 'ALI.

Monday, 10th August

Last Night receiv'd a Letter from Mr John Deane &c[a] at Cossimbuzar dated the 5th Instant which came by a private Cossidd [*qāṣid*] enclosing the Waccas [*waqā'yās*], by which perceive the two Armys are very near each other and tis suppos'd by every one at the Durbar [*darbār*] that the dispute by this time is decided they further advise since concluding their Letter that they are inform'd by some of the

[1] The indisposition, says Mr. Irvine, must have been very slight, for 'Abdu-llah Khān marched from Dilhī, with the new emperor, on the 4th July 1719 O.S.

[2] The moon was new on August 4.

[3] August 6, 7 was the *Idu-l-fitr*.

Guzzaratties [Gujarātīs] that Hussein Ally Cawn [Ḥusain 'Alī Khān] has retreated four Course [*kos*], both Armys haveing been warmly engaged, which is confirmd in the Waccas [*waqā'yās*]. Order'd That Mr Thomas Coales translate the same Waccas [*waqā'yās*] & that the particulars be entred after this consultation.

Copy of a Wacka [waqā'yā] *receiv'd from Cossimbuzar.*

Hussein Ally Cawn [Ḥusain 'Alī Khān] with all his Forces encountred Raja Jasing [Jaisimha] with all his Forces and engaged; both Armys fought very briskly and kill'd a Vast number of People both sides Ramchund [Rām Chand] (Raja Jasings Duan) [Jaisimha's *dīwān*] was wounded and Hussein Ally Cawn [Ḥusain 'Alī Khān] with his Forces retreated to Dira Garden where they had before encamp'd but they were so warmly pursued by the Victors that they were not able to keep their Ground but were forced to fly towards Dilly.

All the whole army of Raja Jasing [Jaisimha] were dressed in Yellow which signifies that they all resolve to Dye in the feild of Battle or else to Conquer.

It is said that the Raja of Badoria [Bhadauriyah] with all his forces join'd Raja Jasing [Jaisimha] when he gave Battle also Raja Jaut [Jāt] with all his Forces; And Severall of the Omrahs [*umarā*] who were with Hussein Ally Cawn [Ḥusain 'Alī Khān] after the Expulsion came over to Raja Jasing [Jaisimha].[1]

1317.—MARRIAGE OF CAPTAIN JOHN HILL.

Monday, August 10th. The 6th Instant Captain John Hill Commander of Ship *Cadogan* was married to Mrs Catherine Cross by the Honble Samuell Feake Esqr President &c.

1318.—MERCHANTS CONSTRAINED TO TAKE FIVE PER CENT. OF THEIR ADVANCE IN BROAD CLOTH.

Monday, August 10th. Our Investment being very large this Season and the Treasure being come on shore from Ships *Cadogan* & *Dawson* Agreed we do without further delay give our Merchants what Dadney [*dādnī*] remains due to them on

[1] Mr. Irvine points out that this news-letter is singularly inaccurate. 'The Āgrah garrison never made even a sortie, and Jai Singh, Sawāe, as already noted, was never nearer to the imperial army than sixty or seventy miles' distance. There never was any such battle, nor did the Bhadauriyah Rājah declare himself in the way stated. "Raja Jaut," presumably meant for Rājah Churāman, Jāt, was an active commander under the Sayyads, during the investment of Āgrah. The fort surrendered on the 1st August 1719 O.S. "Dira Garden" is the *Bāgh-i-dahr-ārā*, the World-adorning Garden, otherwise the *Nūr Manzil*, because the Emperor Nūru-d-dīn, Jahāngir, had once camped there. It lay three miles south of the Fort, and the site is now within Āgrah cantonments. It was noted for its "well of the 52 water-bags," *bāwan-lāo kī kūa*.'

their Contracts which after the rate of Sixty pro Cent amounts to Six Hundred fifty nine Thousand nine Hundred eighty one Rupees, one anae, more than already given them and we hourly Considering all means and opportunitys of disposing of our Woolen Manufactory we have for some days attempted by the Instigation of our Broker to perswade our Merchants to take a small part off our Hands Account Dadney [*dādnī*] which this morning he informs they shew the utmost unwillingness to by their obstinate and possitive refusalls of complying, however desires we would Summons the Merchants before this board beleiving our possitive orders to him in their Presence may awe them into a Compliance for some part which if but at 5 per Cent on their whole Dadney [*dādnī*] will take off 1934 Peices of ordinary broad Cloth.

We having accordingly summonsed the Merchants after many fair and perswasive arguments used with them to little or no purpose, we dispatch'd them first resolutely telling the Broker that we insisted on their taking ten per Cent on broad Cloth by which means after a long private Conference with them he brought them to agree for Five per Cent in ordinary Broad Cloth at the prizes we now sell that Commodity att.

We observe Your Honours Remarks that by Selling it to Severall hands will lower the price.

But we further Consider how we are often obliged to sell to our little Merchants in Barter for goods who too often are obliged to dispose of it tho at Loss to procure Cash wherefore we judge this much the best method of putting it off to our Dadney [*dādnī*] Merchants who are all Substantiall Men and able to keep it till a Markett offers and who by our advice have now appointed one person as Factor for them all whose business is to sell the whole or any part at Opportunity offers keeping up the Current price which effectually prevents the Evill we apprehend of Selling small parcells.

We have yet a farther motive as our stock is much too small for our Investment orderd by the Honble Court of Directors and as there are much more Tonage likely to fall on our hands than our Honble Masters at home designed, we must of Necessity have supply'd that Deficiency with taking money at Interest which is a heavy Article and never to be made use of when any means can be found to avoid it.

1319.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR JULY, 1719.[1]

Muster Rolls for July delivered in Consultation by Mr William Spencer Buxey [bakhshī] *on Monday, 10th August 1719.*

A Generall Abstract of Major Richard Hunts Company for the month of July 1719

			r.	
1	Major	...	65	
1	Lievtenant	...	35	
1	Ensigne	...	24	
1	Master of Arms	...	20	
1	Serjeant Major	...	20	
1	Marshall	...	20	
8	Serjeants	...	160	
9	Corporalls	...	117	
1	Drum Major	...	20	
4	Drummers	...	40	
98	Europeans	...	980	
5	Do 27 Days	...	43	7
17	Do ½ a month		85	
3	Rounders	...	18	
52	Portugueze	...	260	
	Rupees	...	1907	7

On Command at Cossimbuzar.

5 Europeans.

208 Men.

Abstract of Captain Henry Dallibars Company for the month of July 1719.

			r.		
2	Lievtenants	...	70		
4	Serjeants	...	80		
4	Corporals	...	52		
3	Drummers	...	27		
34	Europeans	...	338	11	
2	Rounders	...	12		
27	Portugueze	...	135		
76			714	11	

On Command at Patna.

1	Ensigne	...	24		
4	Serjeants	...	80		
6	Corporalls	...	76	11	3
2	Drummers	...	26		
40	Europeans	...	397	6	
1	Rounder	...	6		
19	Portugueze	...	95		
73			705	1	3
	Totall amt. Rupees		1419	12	3

On Command at Cossimbuzar

1 Drummer
8 Europeans
11 Portugueze

20

169 Men.

[1] See those for June, § 1310 above.

1320.—GROUND RENT FOR SŪTĀNUṬĪ AND CALCUTTA.[1]

1719. Thursday, August 13th. Sookdeb Carowrey [Sūkhdeva *karoṛī*] demanding Three Hundred & Twenty Rupees, Eight anaes, Siccae for Four months Ground Rent of Chuttanuttee [Sūtānuṭī] de [*diḥ*] Calcutta in the pergunna [*pargana*] of Amaravad [Amīrābād] in Jaffer Cawns [Ja'far Khān's] Jaggre [*jāgīr*] due the 1st Instant.

AGREED The President pay 320rs. 8a. Madrass & present the Collector with one Madrass Rupee.

1321.—ZĀMINDĀRI ACCOUNT FOR JUNE, 1719.[2]

Mr Waterworth Collett Jamindar [*zamīndār*] now brought in his Account of Revennus for the month of June the Gross amount whereof being Two Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Nine Rupees Five anaes, particulars, viz:

		r.	a.	p.
By	Gain on Cowries [*kaurīs*]	10	2	
„	Ground Rent	894	4	9
„	Duty on Grain	111	6	6
„	Mangon [*mangan*]	281	9	
„	Moldarry [*māldārī*]	4	3	
„	Weighmen	109	11	
„	Fish &c[a]	200	12	
„	Wood	8	8	
„	Potts	1	2	
„	Caulkers	36	4	6
„	Banians [*banyās*]	6	10	3
„	Bramins [*Brahmans*]	2	4	9
„	Ferry Boats	7	4	9
„	Laying Boats ashore	2	4	
„	Butty [*bheṭī*]	34	5	
„	Cotton Beaters	1	13	
„	Vermillion	23	14	9
„	The Markett	223	10	
„	Suba Buzar [S'obhā Bāzār]	73	12	
„	Jean Buzar [Jān Bāzār]	25	1	3
„	Begum Buzar [Begam Bāzār] ...	25	9	
„	Delolly [*dallālī*] of the Markett ...	2	13	
„	Conjee [*kānji*]		8	9
„	Sale of Houses	9	15	9
	Carried over ...	2096	13	0

[1] For further payments of the second four months' rent, due August 1, see September 10, § 1331.

[2] See § 1090.

		r.	a.	p.
	Brought over ...	2096	13	6
By	Sallame [*salāmī*] of Potahs [*paṭṭas*] ...	26	9	3
„	Recovering Debts	40	10	9
„	Hogs	1	1	9
„	Peons Fees	101	15	3
„	Marriages	133	11	3
„	Sale of Slaves	23	1	9
„	Fines	294	10	9
„	Bang [*bhang*]	93	7	9
„	Duty on Arrack	170	8	
„	Sale of Ground	6	11	6
		2989	5	
	Deduct for Charges ...	464	2	9
	Ballance Rupees ...	2525	2	3

1322.—ATTACK ON THE ENGLISH SETTLEMENT AT BENCOOLEN.

Tuesday, August 18th.

Receiv'd a Generall Letter from the Governour &c[a] Councill of Fort S[t] George dated the 21st July which came per Ship *Young Darby* enclosing the Warehousekeepers and Storekeepers list of Stores they want from this place, they advise us that this Ship was laden with wares & Stores for the use of Vizagapatam with orders as soon as deliverd to proceed for our port and desire us to return her as soon as possible with such things wrote for as we have ready, they further advise us that the 10th of June arrived the *King William* from England, on the 2nd July the *Malbrough* & on the 13th the *Townsend* the latter having been four months on her passage, and that the Ship *Cadogan* bound for our port touchd at Fort S[t] Davids the 1st of July & having stayd there a few days to refresh her men who were very sickly saild by their Road for our port & that they expect the *Vansittart* & *Godfrey*, they write they designe us per Orders of the Hon[ble] Court of Directors about the Value of Seventy Thousand pounds in Rupees Tin Lead & Lump Glass. Twenty Chests of Silver they have already Coind & twenty more coyning which they propose to send on a Europe Ship the beginning of this month and that the Hon[ble] Companys Ship *Metchlapatam* will be dispatchd at the same time to us to be laden with Stores & rice & that they shall putt on board her the Lump Glass & some of the mettles orderd us, that they shall

dispatch the *Queen* for Europe about the last of this month She being near laden.

They give us an Account that on the 27th of March last the whole English Settlement at Bencoolen was cut off & the people expell'd by the Mallays assisted by our own bugguz [Bugis][1] Soldiers all the buildings were burnt about thirty of the English of whom eight were covenant Servants were killd or drownd in getting off, the rest with the Deputy Governour got on board ship *Metchlapatam* then in the Road having sent the Women and Children before with the Honble Companys Books & Treasure; they proceeded to Batavia & from thence by the assistance of the Dutch to Negapatam & arrivd with them the 5th of July, they know not what is become of Moco Moco a Settlement to which Bantall Factory was removed but purpose to send a Europe Ship thither as speedily as they can.

1323.—MOCO MOCO FACTORY LETTER.

Thursday, August 20th.

The 15th Instant received a Letter from Mr William Ballett Cheif at Moco Moco on the west coast of Sumatria dated the 4th June accompanying a packett directed to the Governour & Councill of Fort St George, which came on a Dutch Ship from that Coast.

To the Governour or Cheif of any English Factory
or Commander of a Ship.

Sir

The occasion of this is to Signify the great Importance of the accompanying Packett directed to Fort St George to acquaint the President & Governour of the bad state of Affairs on the West Coast of Sumatria Fort Malbrough being quite destroyd accidentally by fire the Deputy Governour his Councill & all the Europeans left the place about two months past and embarkd on board ship *Metchlapatam* whom we have not heard of since, So that we are left destitute standing in need of every thing for support and what is worse the Natives are at Warr besides but little Gunpowder to defend this ffactory. Pray expediate the packett that some Relief may be sent us having no Ship or any other Vessell therefore we must all of necessity perish if not succourd in a little time. I salute you with my Respects & am Sir

Your distressed Brother
William Ballett.

Moco Moco Factory
June the 4th 1719.

[1] Bugis, a name properly applied to the dominant race of the Island of Celébes, but used to denote native soldiers raised in any of the islands of the Archipelago. Yule and Burnell quote *inter alia* Dampier (1688). 'These Buggasses are a sort of warlike trading Malayans, and mercenary soldiers.'

1324.—CAPTAIN LAPTHORN'S WILL.

Thursday, August 27th.

The Honble Samuell Feake Esqr President now brought before us the last Will and Testament of Captain James Lapthorn deceas'd which being proved by the Witnesses sworn on the Holy Evangelists.

ORDERD That it be entred after this Consultation with the Probate.

Copy of Captain James Lapthorne's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I James Lapthorne of Calcutta in the Kingdom of Bengall marriner being indisposed of Body but in perfect sound Mind & Memory praised be to Almighty God but being Sensible of the uncertainty of this Transitory life do make this my last will & Testament in manner & form following (that is to Say) First & principally I Recommend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God & my Body I committ to the Earth from whence it came therein to be decently interd at the Discretion of my Executors hereinafter named in hopes of a joyfull Resurrection at the last day together with my Immortall Soul through the means & mediation of Jesus Christ my only Lord and Saviour & as to what worldly Effects it has pleased Almighty God to bestow upon me (far beyond my Deserts) I give devize & bequeath as follows, Vizt.

Imprimis I will and require that all my just Debts Funerall Charges & Legacys hereinafter named be first & truly paid.

Item I give devize & bequeath unto the Honble Samuell Feake Esqr Governour of Calcutta the sum of five hundred Rupees as a Legacy for a Ring.

Item I give devize & bequeath unto Captain John Jones present Gunner of Calcutta in Bengall the sum of three Hundrod Rupees as a Legacy for a Ring & one Slave Girl named Julia & her Child.

Item I give devize & bequeath unto Philip Mitchell one Gold Ring of Twelve Rupees Value.

Item I give devize & bequeath unto Captain John Coller one Gold Ring of twelve Rupees Value.

Item I give devize & bequeath unto James Russell all my wearing apparell (Gold & Silver Excepted) for his Care of [me] in the time of my illness.

Item I give devize and bequeath unto my two Neices Elizabeth & Mary Smith the Daughters of my loving Sister Mrs Ann Smith the Sum of Two Thousand Rupees each of them to be placed in some safe hands according to the Discretion of my Honble Mother Mrs Mary Lapthorne & my loving Sister Mrs Ann Smith to be improved till they come to the Years of Sixteen before they shall make any demands but in case there should be any want before they come to that age then the money to be made use on for their Education or want as my Honble Mother Mrs Mary Lapthorne & my loving Sister Mrs Ann Smith shall see fitt or proper and in case of either of their Deaths

then the Survivor to have the whole said Sum of Four Thousand Rupees & the Interest thereof as a Legacy but in case of the Death of Elizabeth and Mary Smith before they come to the Years of Sixteen the Four Thousand Rupees with Interest to be equally devided between my Honble Mother Mrs Mary Lapthorne and my loving Sister Mrs Ann Smith.

Item I give devize & bequeath unto my Ever Honble Mother Mrs Mary Lapthorne & to my loving Sister Mrs Ann Smith the remainder part of my Estate both real & Personall whatsoever to be equally devided between my Honble Mother Mrs Mary Lapthorne & my Loving Sister M^rs. Ann Smith, in case of my Honble Mothers Death Mrs Mary Lapthorne before she receives this Legacy then her half part to be devided between my aforesaid two Neices Elizabeth and Mary Smith daughters of my loving Sister Mrs Ann Smith, and in case of the Death of my loving Sister Mrs Ann Smith before she receives his Legacy then her half part to be equally devided between my two Neices Elizabeth and Mary Smith and in case of the death of either of my Neices Elizabeth and Mary Smith then the longest liver of either of them to enjoy all my whole or half of my Estate aforesaid as it shall or may fall to them or either of them by this my last Will & Testament.

Lastly I do make ordain constitute and appoint my most esteemed Friends the Honble Samuell Feake, Esqr Governour of Calcutta and Captain John Jones Gunner of the aforesaid, my full and Sole Executors & Trustees of this my last will and Testament here in Calcutta Humbly requesting of them or either of them that they would take that Care to remitt to England whatsoever Estate I shall depart this World here in Calcutta by bill of Exchange on the Right Honble English United East India Company payable to my Ever Honr^d Mother aforesaid Mrs Mary Lapthorn or my loving Sister aforesaid Mrs Ann Smith Hereby revoking all former wills by me made acknowledging this to be my only true last will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto put my hand & Seal in Calcutta in the Kingdom of Bengall this Nineteenth day of July in the Year of our Lord God One Thousand Seven Hundred and Nineteen.

Signd Seald & Acknowled,ged in the Presence of us, where no Stampt Paper is to be had.

JAMES LAPTHORN

Seal.

Witnesses
THOMAS BRADDYLL
VICTOR SHEE
FRANCIS SPENCER

1325.—ZAMÍNDÁRI ACCOUNT FOR JULY, 1719.

Thursday, September 3rd.[1]

M^r. Waterworth Collett Jemindar [*samindár*] now laid before us the Account of Revennues for the month of July the Gross Amount whereof being Three Thousand One hundred fifty four Rupees, two anaes, Six pyee.

[1] September 3 was the *Mahálaya*, the moon being new on that day.

ORDERD That it pass Errors Excepted & be deliverd the Accomptant, the Ballance Two Thousand Seven hundred Ninety two Rupees four anaes being paid into Cash.

1326.—SURGEON OF SHIP *PRINCE FREDERICK* PAID.

Thursday, September 3rd.

Mr. John Bosley Surgeon of Ship *Prince Frederick* requesting us to pay the ten Shillings a head for the nine Souldiers which came to this place on that Ship which is what our Honble Masters allow to the Surgeon for the care of them in the Voyage, and there being no Complaint of any from them of any neglect in their Passage out—

AGREED That the President pay him Thirty six Rupees Currant.

1327.—CLOTH FOR PIECEGOODS.

Thursday, September 3rd.

Juggullpersant [Yugalprasād] Merchant agreeing to take off all our fine Perpetuannoes at the Rate we now sell them att and give us goods in Barter to be prized by the Companys Musters, we sent for him to know what sortments he would deliver in which are Vizt

Silk Romals [*rūmāls*]
Charconnah Romals [*chārkhāna rūmāls*] [1]
Maulda Mulmulls [*malmals*] ordinary
Cossajura Seerbunds [*sarbands*]
Tepoys Woolmarra
Jellmills [*jalmals*]
Dimitys
Gurrubsoot Romalls [*rūmāls*]

The last of these Goods namely Gurrubsoot Romalls [*rūmāls*] and both the above silk Romals [*rūmāls*] and the Maulda Mulmuls [*malmals*] not being order'd this Year,

AGREED the Broker acquaint the Merchant that those goods are expressly forbid to be sent to England, and in case he will Contract for the other four Sortments,

ORDERED That the Importwarehousekeeper deliver out all the fine Perpetuannoes and charge the Amount to the Account of Juggullpersaut [Yugalprasād].

The Jelmills [*jalmals*] being a Cloth of a new Fabrick and much like to a Soosey [*sūsī*] or rather a Gawze & of fine bright and Various

[1] Kerchiefs of chequered cloth.

Colours we judge it may answer the use of either of those Sorts of Goods and being in the above terms of Barter,

AGREED we take this small Quantity for a tryall as in such a Case the Honble Company directs.

The above Merchant likewise offers to take off all our Lead in Barter after the same Manner but that not being a perishable Commodity,

AGREED we give him for answer that we shall not part with any unless he will give us such goods only as are orderd in our List for this Years Investment, and in such a Case the Import Warehouse keeper may deliver it and Charge the same to his Account at Four Rupees two anaes per Maund Factory weight.

1323.—JONATHAN COOPER'S WILL.

Thursday, September 3rd.

Mr William Spencer Buxey [*bakhshi*] now laid before this board the last Will and Testament of Mr Jonathan Cooper deceased wherein it appears he designd and ordain'd his Wife Elizabeth Cooper and Mr James Williamson to be trustees for his Estate, his Wife dyed some months before him in the term of his Voyage then bound to Goa and Mr James Wiliamson being the only Trustee Surviving who declares he was not apprized of being so Chosen till after the Death of said Jonathan Cooper does now refuse to act or meddle in any manner with the deceased Effects; wherefore orderd that the Buxey [*bakhshi*] take possession and dispose at publick Sale of all Effects belonging to the said Jonathan Cooper and pay the produce into the Honble Companys Cash as in Cases when People dye Intestate or no will appears.

Copy of Mr Jonathan Cooper's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I Jonathan Cooper Free Merchant of Calcutta being in perfect health of body and of sound and disposing mind & Memory, praised be God, do make and ordaine this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following, that is to say—

Imprimis—I committ my Body to the Earth, to be decently buried, at the discretion of my Executors or lawfull Attorneys, hereafter named, my Soul I commend into the hands of Almighty God my great Creator, in full and certain hopes of the Pardon of all my Sins & a Glorious Resurrection to Eternall Life through the alone Merits Satisfaction and Intercession of Jesus Christ my blessed Saviour and Mercifull Redeemer, And as for such Worldly Estate it has pleased God to bless me with I give and bequeath the same as follows, I desire that all my funerall Expences & just Debts be first paid, & as

for what other Effects remaines; I give and bequeath the halfe part to my Dear and Loving Wife Elizabeth Cooper, to her Daughter Grace Gaywood and to the Child she is now Pregnant with; Each of them a quarter part and in case of the Death of either of them the Share of the party deceased to go to the Survivour or Survivours and lastly I make and ordaine my Dear & Loving Wife Elizabeth Cooper above mentiond & James Williamson Esqr my Executors of this my last Will and Testament and I hereby revoke and annull all former Wills & Coddicills by me heretofore made & declare this to be my last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand & Seal this Second Day of January in the 5th Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George of Great Brittain France & Ireland King Defender of the Faith &cª Annoq : Dom : 1718-9

JONATHA COOPER

Signd Seald Publised and declared to be his last Will & Testament In the Presence of us

Zechariah Gee
Jnº Sainsburry Lloyd
William Gill.

1329.—WILLS OF THOMAS MORRIS AND RICHARD BASS.

Thursday, September 3rd. [1]

The last Will and Testament of Thomas Morris deceas'd was now produced by Mr John Stackhouse as also the last Will and Testament of Richard Bass deceas'd which being both proved—

ORDERED—That the Wills with the Probats be registred after this Consultation.

Copy of Thomas Morris' Will.

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Morris of Calcutta Marriner being weak & indisposed of Body but of sound mind & Memory, calling to Mind the Certainty of Death and the Uncertain time of its Approach do make this my last will & Testament in manner and form following—

Imprimis I Commend my body to the Earth to be decently interd & my Spirit to God Almighty who gave it, and for what worldly Estate it has pleased Him to bless me withall I leave & bequeath as follows—

I Will that my Funerall Charges & all my just Debts be duely paid & Discharged.

Item I bequeath to my Wife Mrs Jane Morris the sum of five hundred Rupees.

Item I bequeath to Mrs Sybella Rote my House and Garden standing behind the Hospitall in this place and also the Sum of five Hand [? Hundred] Rupees and I do acknowledge that all the Slaves in this my dwelling House

[1] The Durgā *Pūjā* was on September 9.

are hers and I do also acknowledge to be hers all her wearing apparrell Joys & Houshold furniture which she can or may say to be her own.

Item I bequeath to my Neice Mrs Margaret Wells the sum of five hundred Rupys.

Item I bequeath to my Daughter Mrs Margaret Morris all the remainder of my Estate excepting what is herein mention'd.

Item I bequeath to my loving Friend Mr Stephen Shaw the sum of fifty Rupees to buy him a Diamond Ring whom I do hereby appoint to be my Executor of this my last Will & Testament.

Item I bequeath to my Boy Batticho the Sum of Two Hundred Rupees.

Item I bequeath to each Pylot of this place a Ring of the Value of two Pagodas.

Lastly I declare this to be my last will & Testament unto which I have set my hand & Seal in Cullcutta August the 20th 1718.

Signd, Seald & deliverd, in the presence of us (where no Stampt Paper is to be had)

Jno. Pratt.
Mar. Crompton.
Richd. Wallis.

Before Signing and Sealing of the above It is my will that aforemention'd fifty Rupees given to Mr. Shaw be increased to Two hundred.

Thos. Morriss. Seal.

Copy of Richard Bass's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I Richard Bass Marriner being Sick and weak of Body but praisd be God of sound & perfect mind and memory doe make and ordain this my last will & Testament in manner & form following that is to say First I commit my Soul into the hands of Almighty God my mercifull Saviour & Redeemer my Body I Committ to the Earth to be decently Interr'd at the Discretion of my Executrix hereafter mentioned. As for what Estate it has pleased God to bless me with my Debts and funerall Charges being first paid I give and bequeath as follows, that is to say—

To my beloved Sister Penelope Bass I give Twenty Pounds per Annum during her Life.

To my Aunt Francis Bass I give a Legacy of twenty Pounds.

The Residue and Remainder of my Estate real & personall Goods & Chattels I give to my beloved Wife Elizabeth Bass in case she should have no child of my Body or Should not be with Child at the Time of my Decease, but in case She should have a Child or should be with Child by me at the time of my decease I give to said Child one third of my aforesaid Estate and the remainder to her my beloved Wife & if said Child (if a Boy) should dye before the age of twenty or if a Girl before the Age of fifteen Unmarried I will that said one third of my Estate shall come to my Wife and I will likewise that the Twenty Pounds a Year left my Sister for her Life shall come to my said Child if She should have one by me if not to her my beloved Wife.

I do appoint Mr John Stackhouse of Bengall my Executor and my Beloved Wife Executrix of this my last Will & Testament hereby revoking and anul- ling any heretofore made by me Dated in Calcutta in Bengall this thirtyth of August 1719.

Seald published & declared to be his last Will & Testament where Stampt Paper is not to be had in the Presence of us.

RICHARD WALLIS.
JONATHN. WILKINSON.
WILLIAM MORCOM.

RICHARD BESS. [?BASS] Seal.

Whereas it is mentiond in the Will twenty pounds given to my Aunt Frances Bass it is a Mistake I leaving her but ten pounds.

RICHD. BESS.

1330.—FIGHTING ON THE ROAD TO PATNA.

Thursday, September 10th.

Yesterday arriv'd a Letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson & Thomas Falconer from Chawndy [Chandī][1], dated the 27th past wherein they advise of their passage, they were Twice attacked by the Chowkwars [Chakwārs], who were very strong and had intrenched themselves by the river Side. The Engagement was very hott for some time but at length our people drove them from their Intrenchments and obliged them to take to their boats where we destroy'd a great number of the Enemy and took some Prisoners who they carried with them to Patna and on our side a Serjeant was kill'd and one Soldier & a Drummer wounded.

1331.—GROUND RENT OF GOVINDPUR.

Thursday, September 10th.

Ramchund Crowree [Rāmchand *karoṛī*] demanding thirty three Sicca Rupees[2] for four months Ground Rent of Govindpore [Govindpur] in the pergunna [*pargana*] of Calcutta in Jaffer Cawns Jaggere [Ja'far Khān's *jāgīr*] & likewise Seventy one Sicca Rupees for Govinpore [Govindpur] in the Pergunna [*pargana*] of Pican both being due in August.

AGREED. The President pay one Hundred and four Rupees Madrass and present the Collector with one Madrass Rupee Buxeis [*bakhshish*] as Customary.

1332.—ARRANGEMENTS TO GUARD THE BOATS FROM PATNA.

Thursday, September 17th.

The 14th Inst. receiv'd a Letter from Mr. Samuell Browne &c. at Patna dated the 3rd, advising of the arrivall of Messrs Edward Stephenson & Thomas

[1] Chandi is about 30 miles S. E. of Patna and 16 miles S. E. of Fatūhā, on the road to Bihar. The place is at present a police-station in the Bihar subdivision.

[2] This was too little. The rent, for the four months ending August 1, was Rs. 37-6-0. See the payment on October 24th, 1720. The shortage was ordered to be paid July 25th, 1720.

Falconer with all the Boats the 29th Ult. at night. They write considering the great necessity we may be in for a speedy Supply of Kintledge they design if practicable to dispatch a Fleet to us within this month with what Petre they have in a Readiness and the peice Goods which are all got in which according to our Orders they will convey through the Rebells Country who are very strong with the whole party now with them who are to return directly to them to guard the latter fleet of Petre and what ever may remain of this last Years Investment.

AGREED That Mr. Thomas Phillips with a Serjeant two Corporalls and twenty men do get themselves in a readiness to proceed as far as Rajamall [Rājmahal] there to take charge of their first Fleet and bring them down to us with all Expedition, by this method we are in hopes not only to provide for our own Shipping but to supply Madrass with an early provision of petre in case they should fall Short or be in want of Kintledge for their latter Ship we as yet not knowing what Tonnage they will be able to dispatch from that Port.

1333.—GREAT STORM AT BALASOR.

Thursday, September 17th.

Last night receiv'd a Letter from Mr. Harry Clare at Ballasore, dated the 8th Instant advising of the arrivall of Ship *Metchlapatam* in Ballasore Road the 3rd when the Captain wrote for a pylot advising he had Considerable on board belonging to the Honble Company whereupon he sent out the *London* with John Bashpool who got on board her the 5th & weigh'd and stood with the Ship towards the Braces. In the same evening a storm of wind arose from the N. E. and blew excessive hard continuing till the next night late, the Ship was forced back into the Road with the loss of her two Topmasts and mainmast & all her Anchors except one. The *London* Sloop lost all her Anchors & Cables but fortunately got into Ballasore River after having struck severall times on the Shoar. The *Charles* lost all her Anchors except one and the *Cossimbuzar* only rid it out with Loss of but one Anchor, the Sloops have all lost their boats & some of them threw their Guns and Chests of Cloaths over board.

The Ship was seen in Safety after the storm was over & the *Cossimbuzar* Sloop gone to her as he supposes to bring her in he writes if possible he will supply her with an Anchor & Cable.

All the Honble Companys Sloops having been gone this month past & more, waiting for their Expected Shipping from Fort St. George and there being a Sloop here belonging to John Cassels one of our Pylots burthen about Fifty Tons.

AGREED. That we hire her for one hundred & fifty rupees (which is not more than half what she might earn where She full freighted to Ballasore) & load her with Anchors and Cables of proper sizes for all the Sloops as likewise Two for the Ship, which they are to deliver on board wherever they meet her & proceed with the rest to Ballasore with all expedition, least for want of them the Sloops should not be able to come over the Barr to assist in tending up the Ships hourly expected from Madrass.

1334.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR AUGUST, 1719.[1]

Thursday, September 17th.

Mr. William Spencer Buxey [*bakhshi*] now deliver'd in the muster rolls of both Companys of Soldiers mustered & paid for the month of August.

A Generall Abstract of Major Richard Hunts Company for the month of August, 1719.

		r.
1	Major	65
1	Lieutenant ...	35
1	Ensigne	24
1	Master of Arms ...	20
1	Serjeant Major ...	20
1	Marshall ...	20
9	Serjeants ...	180
9	Corporalls ...	117
1	Drum Major ...	20
4	Drummers ...	40
113	Europeans ...	1,130
3	Rounders ...	18
53	Portugueze ...	265
198	Sum Totall ...	1,954

On Command at Cossimbuzar.

5	Europeans.
203	Men.

Abstract of Captain Henry Dallibars Company for the month of August, 1719.

		r.
2	Lieutenants ...	70
5	Serjeants ...	100
4	Corporalls ...	52
3	Drummers ...	27
45	Europeans ...	415
2	Rounders ...	12
27	Portugueze ...	135
88		811

On Command at Patna.

1	Ensigne	24
4	Serjeants ...	80
6	Corporalls ...	78
2	Drummers ...	26
40	Europeans ...	400
1	Rounder ...	6
19	Portugueze ...	95
73	Rupees ...	1,520

On Command at Cossimbuzar.

1	Drummer.
8	Europeans.
8	Portugueze.
178	Men.

[1] See those of July, § 319 above.

1335.—MADRAS LETTER WITH NEWS OF THE SHIPPING.

Friday, September 18th.

Just now received a Letter from the Governour & Councill of Fort S[t] George dated the 12th August which came by the Hon[ble] Companys Ship *Metchlapatam* whom they have sent down here to be refitted and return'd to them with Stores and Rice. They also advise us of the Arrivall of Ship *Godfrey* with them the 22nd of July and that they were dispatching her to Moco Moco on the west coat of Sumatra in order to preserve that Settlement, and that the *King William* was gone to Fort S[t] Davids for a lading of bales which she is now delivering at Fort S[t] George, and that they will dispatch her for this place with Mettalls & thirty Chests of Madrass Rupees in ten or twelve days.

1336.—DESPATCH OF PHILLIPS AND HIS PARTY TO RĀJMAHĀL.

Thursday, September 24th.

According to an order in last Consultation M[r] Phillips and the Soldiers designd to Convoy our first Fleet of Salt Petre boats being now in a readyness.

AGREED They proceed forthwith as far as Rajamall [Rājmaḥal] where we may expect they will find the boats they designing as they write if practicable to despatch them from Patna before this month was expir'd and as this Season the Currents are so rapid they usually reach Rajamall [Rājmaḥal] in five or Six days & our Boats will be twelve or fourteen days in tracking up against the Stream,

M[r]. Thomas Phillips wanting money to defray Charges in his way up to Rajamall [Rājmaḥal]

AGREED The President advance him five hundred Sicca Rupees.

1337.—ATTEMPT OF THE OSTENDERS TO SETTLE NEAR MADRAS.

Friday, September 25th.

Just now arriv'd Captain James Winter Commander of the *King William* who brought us a Generall Letter from the Governour & Councill of Fort S[t] George dated the 31st Ultimo wherein they advise that the Ship that touched some time ago at Trincombar [Trinquebār] with the Emperours Colours went to Porto Novo from whence they sent a Messenger to Nabob Sadutulla Cawn [Sa'ādattullah Khān] at Arcott [Arkāṭ] to inform him that they came with a Commission from the greatest Emperour in the world King of 26 Kingdoms to make a Settlement in the Mogulls Dominions and at the same time gave out that their Ship was ballasted with Silver upon which the Moores directed them to proceed

to Cobelon[1] (a place about six leagues distant from Madrass) where they should find some to treat with them and Accordingly they went thither & found the Moores very ready to receive them & they assisted them in marking out Ground to build a Fort upon, Two hundred yards in length & one hundred & eight in breadth & Cooleys [*qūlis*] were set to work to dig the foundation but the Nabob finding no presents offerd & having been at some Charges in expectation of a very good one grew suspicious of them & by making private inquiry at Madrass was informed he had only to do with beggars & that their whole Stock consisted of no more than one chest of Corals & twenty five bales of Broad Cloth which put a stop to their further proceedings in that place from whence they design'd to sail in seven or eight days but for what Port they can't advise.

1338.—WILL OF JAMES CROUCH.

Thursday, October 1st. The last Will & Testament of James Crouch was now produced by Joseph Townsend & proved.

Copy of James Crouch's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I James Crouch Marriner in the Honble Companys Service in Bengall, being very sick & weak, but perfect in mind and Memory do make this my last will & Testament in manner following.

Imprimis I Resign my Soul to God who gave it and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a decent manner at the Discretion of my Trustees hereafter named.

Item. I give and bequeath my whole Estate whither in Goods, money, or whatever else is or may become due unto me, to my Dear Wife Elizabeth Crouch now in Calcutta in Bengall.

Item. I constitute and appoint Mr. Harry Clare and Mr. Christopher Birkhead Trustees to this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking & anulling all former Wills heretofore made by me In Witness whereof I hereunto set my Hand & Seal in Ballasore this 6th Day of September Anno Dom. One Thousand Seven Hundred & Ninete$_{e}$n.

JAMES CROUCH. Seal.

Signd seald and declared by the Testator to be his last Will & Testament (where no Stampt Paper is to be had) in the Presence of us.

FRANCISCO NONIS DE COSTA.
CHARLLOS HARMOND.

[1] Kōvalam, headland, commonly written Covelong, is 20 miles south of Madras.

1339.—CAPTAIN MARTIN TO GET HIS SHIP READY, TO GO DOWN.

Thursday, October 1st. In consideration that the East & West Channell is much fill'd up and but little water, insomuch that we Shall be obliged to Send great part of all the Ships laden after them to Coxes & We intending God willing to dispatch the *Prince Frederick* directly for Europe the last of November the first day limited by his Charter party.

AGREED We give the Commander Notice this day (to prevent any excuse or Delay) that he get his Ship in a Readyness to proceed down the River to Coxes as soon after the next full Moon[1] as the Pylot will take charge of him & wait our Orders with the remainder of his Cargoe which we shall dispatch after him in Sloops to Coxes.

1340.—DEATH OF Mr. COWLEY.

October 1st. The 29th Ultimo, Mr William Cowley Factor[2] departed this life.

1341.—NO MONEY AT INTEREST TO BE TAKEN IN BALASOR WITHOUT ORDERS FROM CALCUTTA.

Thursday, October 1st. Just now receiv'd a Letter from Mr Harry Clare at Ballasore dated the 24th Ultimo wherein he advises that the Weavers having acquainted him that they would proceed no farther in making Sanoes [*sanahs*] unless he advanced them more money, & it being so late in the year to delay it longer might be of ill Consequence therefore he advanced them Three Thousand Rupees the 18th Ultimo which he has taken at Interest at one & a half per Cent per Month from that day which he judged it better to do as the Interest is like to run but a Short Time than be disappointed in procuring the Quantity of Cloath order'd, he further advises of the Death of Mr Scott who dyed of a Feaver the 16th Ultimo.

Mr Harry Clare takeing up money at so Extravagant a rate was the Disappointment of a supply from the Europe Ship as we orderd him by Letter as per Consultation of 28th Ultimo, however we can't pass it by as altogether inexcusable as being done without our order or Knowledge wherefore.

AGREED—We write to him immediately on the receipt of the money sent him per the *Cossimbuzar* Sloop the 28th Ultimo that he discharge his Bill of Debt & never more offer to take any money up at Interest without first advising & receiving our Orders.

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[1] The moon was new on October 2. The next full moon was on Saturday, the 17th October, at about 1-45 p.m., local time. It was high water, therefore, at Calcutta, about 2 p. m. on that day.

[2] Arrived writer August 13, 1712.

1342.—ZAMĪNDĀRĪ ACCOUNT FOR AUGUST, 1719.[1]

Thursday, October 8th.

Mr. Waterworth Collett Jemindar [*samīndār*] now brought in his Account of Revennues for the month of August the Gross amount whereof being two Thousand Seven Hundred & Nineteen Rupees Six anaes Six pyce—

Particulars Viz^{t}.			r.	a.	p.
By Ground Rent	...	...	936	11	6
„ Gain on Cowries [*kauṛis*]		...	7	14	3
„ Duty on Grain	...	...	156	1	
„ Mangon [*mangan*]	...	...	388	9	
„ Moldarry [*māldāri*]	...	...	3		9
„ Toubuzzarry [*tahbāzāri*]		...	199	2	9
„ Weighmen	...	...	153	9	
„ Wood ...	...	...	8	9	9
„ Potts ...	...	...	1	2	
„ Caulkers ...	...	...	36	4	6
„ Banians [*banyans*]	...	...	7	14	9
„ Bramins [*Brahmans*]	...	...	2	4	3
„ Ferry Boat	...	...	1	4	6
„ Cotton Beaters	...	...	1	13	
„ Hogs ...	...	...	1	1	9
„ Butty [*bheṭi*]	...	...	78	8	9
„ Laying Boats ashoar	...	...	3	1	9
„ Vermillion	...	...	22	14	9
„ Conjee [*kānji*]	...	...		8	9
„ The Markett	...	...	213	12	3
„ Delolly [*dallāli*] of the Markett		...	2	13	
„ Suba Buzar [Sobhā Bāzār]		...	72		3
„ Begum Buzar [Begam Bāzār]		...	25	9	3
„ Jean Buzar [Jān Bāzār]		...	25	1	6
„ Sale of Houses	...	...	24	15	
„ Sallamo [*salāmī*] of Potahs [*paṭṭas*]			15	5	9
„ Recovering Debts	...	...	32	6	6
„ Peons Fees	...	...	112	12	3
„ Marriages	...	...	31	6	3
„ Fines ...	...	...	30	12	9
„ Sale of Slaves	...	...	69	4	9
„ Bang [*bhang*]	...	...	42	6	9
„ House Rent	...	...	4	3	9
			2719	6	6[2]
Deduct for Charges		...	362		3
Ballance		...	2357	6	3

[1] See § 1090.

[2] The addition is wrong. The total amount is 2713-6-6.

1343.—WILL OF WILLIAM COWLEY.

Thursday, October 8th.

The last Will & Testament of Mr. William Cowley deceased was now produced by Mr. Thomas Cook and proved.

Copy of Mr. Cowley's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I William Cowley of Calcutta in Bengall Merchant being weak in Body but of Sound mind & memory thanks be to God for the same but knowing the frailty of mankind do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis. I give my Soul to God that gave it me and my body to be decently inter'd as my Executors (hereafter nominated) shall think proper.

Item. I nominate and appoint my dear beloved Wife Mrs. Jane Cowley and Mr. Thomas Cooke of Culcutta Executors to this my last will and Testament.

Item. I will that all Debts by me justly due be paid and the Remainder of my Estate (which it hath pleased God to bless me with) both what I am at present or may become possessed off, I freely give and bequeath to my Dearly beloved Wife Jane Cowley, but in case she should be with Child of my body then I will that a third part of the remainder of my Estate be put at Interest for the use of the said Child untill becomes of age and then to be deliver'd into its own possession and power.

Item. I hereby revoke all other wills and Testaments by me formerly made in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal in Calcutta this Twenty Seventh day of September Anno 1719.

William Cowley. Seal.

Sign'd Seal'd and Published where no Stampt paper is to be had in the Presence of us

Edward Ange.
Rouland Leadmager.
John Sainsbury Lloyd.

1344.—ARRIVAL OF THE *BOUVERY* AT BALASOR.

Thursday, October 8th.

The 4th Instant received a Letter from Mr. Harry Clare at Ballasore dated the 27th Ultimo wherein he advises of the arrivall of Ship *Des Bouvery* in the Road the 25th and that he had orderd Richard Deane Pylot to take Charge of the Ship and the Sloops *Charles* & *London* to attend her.

1345.—OBJECTION TO THE PATNA CASH ACCOUNT.

Thursday, October 8th.

Received a Generall from Patna dated September the 21st Inclosing Messrs. Browne & Barker their Cash Accounts for the months of July and August wherein we find an Article of Five Thousand Rupees Sicca paid for the releasement of Ruggoopondit [Raghū *paṇḍit*] from Prison who in their

Letter of the 26th July they write was confin'd by the Nabob for twenty Years cheating the Customs, this if true is an affair no ways relating to the Honble Company who are and have been always Custom free wherefore

AGREED We immediately write to Mr Browne & Councill that we can't pass his Cash Account till that article is sufficiently explaind & the Necessity made appear to us why that Sum should be charged to our Honble Masters.

1346.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR SEPTEMBER, 1719.[1]

Thursday, October 8th. Mr William Spencer Buxey [*bakhshi*] now delivered in the Muster Rolls of both Companys of Soldiers mustred and paid for the month of September.

Abstract of Major Richard Hunts Company for the month of September 1719.		r.
1	Master of Arms ...	20
1	Marshall	20
3	Serjeants	60
3	Corporalls	39
23	Europeans ...	230
2	Rounders	12
41	Portugueze ...	205
74		586
	On Command at Patna.	
1	Major	65
1	Lieutenant ...	35
1	Ensigne	24
1	Serjeant Major ...	20
6	Serjeants	120
5	Corporalls	65
1	Drum Major ...	20
4	Drummers ...	40
95	Europeans ...	950
12	Portugueze ...	60
1	Rounder	6
128		
	On Command at Cossimbuzar.	
5	Europeans Rupees ...	1991
202	[207] men.	

Abstract of Captain Henry Dallibars Company for the month of September 1719		r.
2	Lieutenants ...	70
5	Serjeants ...	100
4	Corporalls ...	52
3	Drummers ...	27
48	Europeans ...	460
2	Rounders ...	12
26	Portuguese ...	130
90		851
	On Command at Patna.	
1	Ensigne	24
4	Serjeants ...	80
6	Corporalls ...	78
2	Drummers ...	26
40	Europeans ...	400
1	Rounder	6
19	Portugueze ...	95
73	Rupees ...	1569[2]
	On Command at Cossimbuzar.	
1	Drummer	
8	Europeans	
8	Portugueze	
180	men.	

[1] See those of August, § 1335 above.

[2] The total should be 1560.

1347.—QUIETUDE IN PERSIA.

Saturday, October 10th. Just now arrived Captain Thomas Wotton Commander of Ship *Des Bouverie* who brought us a Generall Letter from the Right Worshipfull James Peachy Agent &c^{a} Councill of Persia dated the 25th of June last wherein they advise us the affairs of our Honble Masters there are at Present in much Quietude, which they flatter themselves have a Prospect of some Continuance by the arrivall of four Portugueze Ships of Warr at Cong to the assistance of the Persians, which probably will occasion the latter to be less pressing & solicitous about the use of our Ships the refusall of which was the Source of the late Troubles & impediments to their affairs which now run on in the Usuall Channell.

The Wine not being Very good, they have only ventured to send fifty Chests.

1348.—THE *BOUVERIE* TO GO STRAIGHT HOME AND NOT TO MADRAS.

Monday, October 19th. In the Generall Letter from Fort St George, dated 31st August they advise they have already (with what sent them on the *London*) sufficient Kintledge of Salt Petre for one Ship which they earnestly request may be the *King William* who they desire may be laden with Grain and Stores for their Presidency from whence they purpose to dispatch her in December fully laden for Europe.

They further advise that they shall expect the *Bouverie* or another Ship half laden from us to be dispatched by them the latter end of January, considering the long time the *Bouverie* has been out and as she has layn all the Heats in Gombroon Road and as we judge the weakest Ship now with us we think it much more for the safety of our Honble Masters Estates to dispatch her directly from hence next after the *Prince ffrederick* which we doubt not to do some time in December so that she may arrive a Summer Ship & avoid the Hazard of being a late Ship from Madrass, The *Cadogan* we purpose to dispatch by the last of January and send the *Dawsonne* partly laden from hence by the last of December to be fill'd up by the Gentlemen at Fort St George and dispatch'd then directly for Great Brittain.

1349.—ARRANGEMENT OF PROPOSED SAILINGS.

Monday, October 19th. The Honble Companys Ships being now all arrived from Fort St George and we taking it into Consideration what to dispatch directly for Europe and what to be fill'd up from Madrass.

AGREED as follows—

The *Prince ffrederick*, *Desbouverie* & *Cadogan* directly home.

The *King William* & *Dawsonne* with what Number of Bales we can conveniently spare and fill'd up with Grain and Stores for Madrass to be dispatched from thence.

1350.—WILL OF CAPTAIN PETER MATTSON.

Monday, October 19th. The last Will and Testament of Captain Peter Mattson deceas't was now produced by Captain Edward Martin and prov'd.

Copy of Captain Peter Mattson's Will.

In the Name of God Amen. I Peter Mattson Marriner being sick & weak in Body but in perfect Sound mind & memory praised be to Allmighty God, but being Sensible of the Uncertainty of this transitory Life doe make this my last will and Testament in manner & forme following, (that is to say) first and Principall I recommend my Soul into the hands of Allmighty God and my Body I Committ to the Earth from whence itt came therein to be decently inter'd at the Discretion of my Executors hereinafter named in hopes of a Joyfull Resurrection (together with my Immortall Soul) through the Means & Mediation of Jesus Christ my only Lord and Saviour. And as to what worldly Effects it has pleased God of his Infinite Goodness to bestowe upon me (farr beyond my Deserts) I give devize & bequeathe as followeth, Vizt.

Imprimis. I will and require that all my Just Debts and Funerall Charges & Legacys herein afternamed be first and truly paid.

Item. I give and bequeath unto Mrs. Mary Ledmager the Wife of Captain Rowland Ledmager the sum of Five Hundred Rupees as a Legacy.

Item. I give and bequeath unto Captain Rowland Ledmager aforesaid my Silver Tankard as a Legacy.

Item. I give unto Captain Marmaduke Crampton the halfe of the House which I bought att Mr. Jonathan Coopers Out Cry the other half he must pay to my Executors hereinafter named.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my loving Friend Captain Thomas Penewill of London Three Thousand Rupees.

Item. I leave to my Servant Covell one hundred Rupees & one fowling peice as a Legacy.

Item. I give and Bequeath Mrs Martha Dixon Wife of Captain Thomas Dixon my Slave Boy named Tom but att the age of the aforesaid Tom of fifteen years my Trustees to demand his Liberty and to pay him Three Hundred Rupees with Interest thereof.

Item. I give and Bequeath unto my Loveing Friend & Mate Peter Barton twenty Gold Buttons & Chain with three of the best Suits of my Cloaths as a Legacy.

Item. I leave unto Captain Rowland Ledmager & Captain Thomas Dixon aforesaid all my Liquors equally to be divided betwixt 'em as a Legacy.

Item. I require that the Remainder of my Cloaths & furniture be sold at publick Out Cry and the money to be paid to my Executors.

Item. The Remainder of my Estate both Reall and Personall whatsoever I give devize & Bequeath unto my Loveing Sister Elce W. Heins & in case of her Death all to come to Captain Thomas Penewill aforesaid and in case of both their deaths to be equally divided amongst my Brothers & Sisters in Law.

Lastly I hereby Ordain Constitute and Appoint my most Esteemd Friend Mr Michael Grey of Calcutta Merchant & Captain Edward Martin Commander of the Ship *Prince Frederick* my Executors in trust for my Loveing Sister aforesaid & my friend Captain Thomas Penewill aforesaid Hereby Revoking all former Wills by me made acknowledgeing this to be my onely true last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto put my Hand and Seal in Callcutta in Kingdom of Bengall this Seventeenth day of October in the year of our Lord God one Thousand Seven Hundred and nineteen.

Sign'd Seal'd and acknowledged by the Testator (where no Stampt Paper is to be had) in Presence of us.

PETER MATTSON

JONATHN WILKINSON (Seal.)
ROBERT HAWYS
NATHAN BURDETT

1351.—DEATH OF MR. EDWARD ANGE.[1]

Thursday, October 22nd.[2] Mr Edward Ange Junr Merchant in the Honble Companys Service departed this Life the 21st Instant.

1352.—WILL OF EDWARD ANGE.

Tuesday, November 10th. The last Will and Testament of Mr Edward Ange deceased was now produced by Messrs William Spinckes and Thomas Braddyll trustees thereof.

Copy of Mr Edward Ange's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I Edward Ange being weak in Body but Sound in mind and memory do make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis. I bequeath my Soul to Almighty God who gave it hoping for Salvation through the merits and Mediation of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and my Body to be decently interred at the Discretion of my Trustees hereafter named.

Item. I will and bequeath to my Dear Brother William Ange the Summ of Four Thousand Rupees Current of Calcutta.

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[1] Arrived Writer August 17, 1710.

[2] The moon was new on November 1. November 3, 4, was Muharam 1, 1132 H.

Item. I will and bequeath to my Good Friends William Spinckes and Thomas Braddyll the Summ of Two hundred Current Rupees each, and do appoint them Trustees to this my last Will and Testament.

Item. I give to my Slave boy Hercules his Liberty and two hundred Current Rupees to be kept at Interest for his use in the hands of my Trustees till they Shall think Proper to pay it to him.

Item. I will and bequeath the remainder of my whole Estate to my honoured Mother Mary Ange to be enjoyd by her during life, and at her Decease I bequeath it to my Brother Thomas Ange and his Heirs for Ever and in Case of my Brother William Ange's Death before he receives his Legacy, then I would have the whole or any part that Shall remain unpaid to him added to the remainder of my Estate for my mother during her Life, and afterwards for my Brother Thomas Ange and his Heirs, And whereas its generally customary in this place to sell the Effects of Deceased persons at Outcry I would not have mine sold in that manner .but leave it to the management of my Trustees to dispose of them as they shall think most advantageous.

In Witness that this is my last will and Testament I do hereto set my hand and Seale in Fort William October the 17 : 1719.

Seal.

EDWARD ANGE.
JOHN SAINSBURRY LLOYD.
HENRY HARNETT.
SAMUELL SIMPSON.

Sign'd Sealed and Published where no Stampt paper is to be had in the Presence of us

By this Coddicill to my last will and Testament above written I do give and bequeath to Mrs Mary Ledmager the Summ of Two hundred Maddrass Rupees.

Wittness my Hand and Seale in the Fort William October the 17 : 1719.

Seal.

EDWARD ANGE.
JOHN SAINSBURRY LLOYD.
HENRY HARNETT.
SAMUELL SIMPSON.

Sign'd and Seald (where no Stampt Paper could be had) in the presence of us

1353.—ZAMĪNDĀRĪ ACCOUNT FOR SEPTEMBER.

Tuesday, November 10th.

Mr Waterworth Collett Jemindar [*zamindār*] now laid before us the Account of Revennues for the month of September the Gross Amount whereof being Three Thousand and Eight hundred & two Rupees, six Anaes, six Pyce.

1354.—LOSS OF SALT PETRE.

Tuesday, November 10th.

Yesterday received a Letter from Mr Samuell Browne dated the 7th from Samnagar wherein he advises that twelve bags of Salt Petre taken out near Mercha to lighten one of the great Boats had the Misfortune to be sunk &

lost with the Pullware [*palwār*] it was laden on occasioned by a Violent Storme, as also twenty five bags on another which run on a Sand [bank].

1355.—REPORT OF THE READINESS OF THE *BOUVERIE*.

Tuesday, November 10th.

Yesterday receiv'd a Letter from Captain Thomas Wotton Commander of Ship *Des Bouverie* acquainting us that his Ship was in a readyness to take in goods account of our Honble Masters, on which Captain John Jones Master of Attendance and Nicholas Pamphilon Ship Carpenter was Immediately orderd to proceed on board said Ship at anchor before the Fort and survey her and deliver their Report in writing.

1356.—REPORT OF THE SURVEY OF THE *BOUVERIE*.

To the Honble SAMUELL FEAKE, Esqr., &c^a^, Councill.

According to your Order We have survey'd the Ship *Des Bouverie* Captain Thomas Wotton Commander now riding before Fort William and find her Gun Deck not thoroughly Caulked nor battened and there are some of her Standards which are to be over set also a brest hook and a pair of Small Knees to be put in above the lower Deck and a pair of Small Knees to be put to the foremast Beam of the Gun Deck, this being done which the Commander promises it shall be Complyed with and performed with all Speed imaginable, after which we judge her in all respects in a Condition to take on board her the Honble Companys Goods for Europe.

We are
Honble Sir, &c^a^, Sirs of Councill
Your most obd^t^. and humble Servants

FORT WILLIAM,
Nov. the 10th, 1719.

JOHN JONES,
NICHOLAS PAMPHILON.

1357.—ORDER FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE FITTING OF THE *BOUVERIE*.

Tuesday, November 10th.

By the foregoing report delivered in by John Jones Master of Attendance and our Master Carpenter, we find the Ship is not yet in a readiness to receive the Honble Companys Cargo on board, Wherefore

AGREED That we write to Captain Thomas Wotton and acquaint him that we can't lade any Goods aboard Account of the Honble Company till his Ship be compleatly fitted and his request be repeated for a further Survey.

1358.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR OCTOBER, 1719.[1]

Tuesday, November 10th.

Abstract of Major Richard Hunts Company for the month of Oct. 1719.

		r.
1	Master of Arms ...	20
1	Marshall	20
8	Serjeants	60
3	Corporalls	39
30	Europeans	300
2	Rounders	12
39	Portugueze	195
79		646
	On Command at Patna.	
1	Major	65
1	Lieutenant	35
1	Ensigne	24
1	Serjeant Major ...	20
6	Serjeants	120
5	Corporalls	65
1	Drum Major	20
4	Drummers	40
95	Europeans	950
12	Portugueze	60
1	Rounder	6
128		1,405
	Rupees ...	2,051
	On Command at Cossimbuzar	
1	Serjeant	
1	Corporall	
6	Europeans	
8		
215	Men	

Abstract of Captain Henry Dallibars Company for the month of Oct. 1719.

		r.
2	Lieutenants	70
5	Serjeants	100
4	Corporalls	52
4	Drummers	40
70	Europeans	700
2	Rounders	12
4	Portugueze	20
91		994
	On Command at Patna.	
1	Ensigne	24
4	Serjeants	80
6	Corporalls	78
2	Drummers	26
40	Europeans	400
1	Rounder	6
19	Portugueze	95
73		709
	Rupees ...	1,703
	On Command at Cossimbuzar	
1	Drummer	
8	Europeans	
7	Portugueze	
180	Men	

1359.—POOR QUALITY OF THE WINE AND ROSE WATER IMPORTED ON THE *BOUVERIE*.

Thursday, November 12th.

All the Wine and Fruit which came on Ship *Bouvery* from Persia being landed Mr William Spencer Import-warehousekeeper brought up four Flasks of the

[1] See those for September, § 1346 above.

Wine taken out of four severall Chests promiscuosly which we severally tasteing of find to be prick't and Sower just as Captain Thomas Wootton reported to us it was when Ship'd on board his Ship in Gombroon Road.

The Rose Water we find to have lost its smell & good for very little of which Captain Wootton says the same.

This being a Commodity which can get no good by lying and the Town now being fuller of people than at any other Season of the Year,

ORDER'D That Mr William Spencer Importwarehousekeeper sell it at publick Outcry for the most it will fetch.

1360.—ARRIVAL OF BROWNE AND BARKER.

November 12th. Yesterday arrived Messrs Samuell Browne & Hugh Barker from Patna with part of the Honble Companys Salt Petre Boats, (this day Major Hunt with the remainder).

1361.—RETURN OF LETTERS WRITTEN TO SEND TO DELHI.

Tuesday, November 17th. Mr Samuell Browne now deliverd us the Letters wrote to Court upon the Death of King Furruckseer [Farrukhsiyar] as per Consultation dated the 1 June which finding the Government unsettled & no King acknowledged was stoped at Patna and is now returned with the Bill of Exchange orderd the Honble Companys Vacqueel at Dilly for Rupees Sicca one Thousand.

ORDER'D The Bill be deliver'd the Broker that he may receive and repay the same into the Honble Companys Cash.

1362.—SECOND SURVEY OF SHIP *BOUVERIE*.

Monday, November 21st. Yesterday Receiv'd Captain Thomas Wottons Second Request for a further Survey of Ship *Bouverie* advising his Ship was in a readiness to take in goods Account of the Honble Company on which Captain John Jones and Nicolas Pamphilon Carpenter was immediately ordered to go on board said Ship & survey her & deliver in their report in writing.

They report that—'All her Decks are well Caulked especially her Gun Deck which is also battened four Sheats in on each side and that She is in all respects fitt to take on board her the Honble Companys goods for Europe.'

1363.—WILL OF WILLIAM LIVESAY.

Monday, November 21st.

The last Will and Testament of Mr William Livesay [also spelt Levisay] deceased was now produced by Messrs James Williamson and Hugh Naish Trustees thereof.

Copy of Mr Livesay's Will.

In the Name of God Amen.

I William Livesay of Calcutta in Bengall Merchant being minded to dispose of my Personall Estate in Case of Death, in manner as herein after is mentioned do make this my last will and Testament in manner and forme following that is to say in the first place I make my good Friends James Williamson Esq. and Hugh Naish of Calcutta in Bengall Merchants my sole trustees of this my last will and Testament but in trust only for the purposes in this my Will hereafter mentioned, and I give and bequeath to my said Trustees a Legacy of two hundred Rupees each.

Item. I give and bequeath to James Williamson Esq. my Trustee, my tub of China and Jappan ware also a gilt Case for a Goa Stone[1] which is in my Escrutore.

Item. I give and bequeath to my loving friends Charles Boddam and William Redshaw the sum of five hundred rupees each, and Mr William Redshaw my boy Bedford for his Voyage home to England and to Charles Boddam the Europe pictures which are in the House.

Item. I give and bequeath to my loving Friend Osmond Beauvoir Esq. the sum of two hundred Rupees.

Item. I give and bequeath to Mrs Elizabeth Belas use five hundred Rupees, and the Bodala work gown and petty coate of my Wife's.

Item. I give and bequeath to Mr George Petty two hundred rupees.

Item. I give and bequeath to Mr Josiah Holmes one hundred Rupees, my Wifes Garden silk gown and petty coate and all my own wearing apparrell.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Brother Charles Levesays eldest Daughter one Thousand pounds Sterling also my Wifes Diamond Cross and Earings, my Wifes wearing apparrell which I desire may be sent home by the first Ship also fifteen peices of Dacca work musling, one Dacca work Gown and Petty coate which was sent home to Mr Naish last year all the gold silver and wrought aprons and handkerchiefs which are mentiond in the list, a Satine bed which is in Mr Naish's hands and twenty four of the best fans.

Item. I give and bequeath to Mrs Hester Naish my chints bed and her Picture.

Item. I give and bequeath to Mrs Mary Boddam Thirty three peices of Dacca Work.

Item. I give and bequeath to Mr Peter John Bonkett one hundred Rupees.

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[1] Goa stone, an artificial stone invented by the monks at Goa, and of great medicinal repute in the eighteenth century. See Yule and Burnell's *Glossary*, p. 290.

Item. My new moore Shirts to be devided equall between Captain Charles Boddam and Mr William Redshaw.

Item. I give and bequeath to my boy Bedford one hundred Rupees and his Freedom after his Voyage to England with Mr William Redshaw, and all the rest of my Slaves their Freedom.

I desire and request in Case I dye in Bengall I may be buried along with my Wife and Children and that there may be a handsome and Strong Tombe built over us.[1]

I do hereby desire and appoint that all my Personall Estate whatsoever whereof I shall be possessed or intituled unto at the time of my Death or any time after be by them my said Trustees got in and receiv'd and after retaining thereout of Legacys and payments of my Debts and Funerall Charges I appoint give and bequeath all the rest and residue of my said personall Estate, and Effects unto my loving Brother Paradine Livesay.

But in the Case of his Death unto my brother Charles Livesays Eldest Daughter and I doe empower my said Trustees James Williamson Esq. and Hugh Naish to remitt the Remainder of my Estate to England either by bill of Exchange Respondentia or what other way my said Trustees shall think most proper to my Executors Paradine Livesay, James Williamson and Osmond Beauvoor [? Beauvoir] Esqrs in case any loss or losses happen by failure of any Drawer or Drawers of Bills of Exchange or persons bound for Respondentia or any other way whatsoever my will is that my said trustees James Williamson Esq. and Hugh Naish shall not be charged or Chargeable with the same or any ways obliged to answer such Loss or Losses in Wittness whereof to this my last Will and Testament I have hereunto sett my hand and Seale in Fort William November the Eleventh in the Year of our Lord Christ One Thousand Seven hundred and nineteen.

Signed Seald published and declared by the said Testators for and [as] his last will and Testament in the presence of—

WM LIVESAY Seal.

THOS BELASYSE
RAWSON HART
ROBT BROADFOOT

1364.—LETTER FROM PATNA ABOUT THE ILL MANAGEMENT OF BROWNE AND BARKER.

Saturday, November 28th.

The 22nd Instant received a Letter from Messrs Edward Stephenson and Thomas ffalconer from Patna dated the 9th Ulto inclosing their Account of Expences going up likewise their Charges Generall and Cash Account

[1] The stone erected over the grave of William Livesay, his wife Sarah and his three children, Hester, John, and William, is still in the churchyard of St. John's, Calcutta. The children died in infancy; Sarah, in child-bed.

[2] Mrs William Livesay, after sorrowing some time for his said family, departed this life, the 15th November, 1719, aged 40 years, 1 month, 6 dayr; being born on the 9th October 1679. See *English in Bengal*, II, I, 28, § 506.

for September with Invoice of what goods laden on the boats downe amounting to Rupees One Hundred Seventy Thousand Seventeen and Six pyce, they also advise us at large of the ill Management of Messrs Browne and Barker but we now being upon the Dispatch of the *Prince ffrederick* must deferr taking Notice of the particulars thereof till She is dispatch'd.

1365.—CAPTAIN MARTIN'S REGISTER OF PRIVATE TRADE. HIS REQUEST TO CARRY PEPPER.

November 28th. Captain Edward Martin now deliver'd in his Register of Private Goods Ship't on board the *Prince Frederick* for England amounting to Rupees Twenty Thousand Two Hundred and Eighty.

Captain Edward Martin having this day deliver'd in his Request to lade Pepper on board his Ship *Prince ffrederick*.

AGREED That We acquaint him with the Honble Companys Directions in that Case and we write him he cannot be permitted to carry it on any other terms.

Captain Martin's Letter.

To the Honble SAMUELL FEAKE Esq. President and Governour of Fort William &c^a^ Councill.

HONOURED SIRS,

Having informed some of my friends that my designe was to request your Honours that I might have Pepper shiped on board the *Prince ffrederick* to Shoot in amongst the bales, I was answer'd it would be in vain the markett price being much more than your Honours order were from the Court of Directors to give, whereupon with much Difficulty I purchased one Thousand six hundred and ninety six maunds of Pepper; I humbly desire your Honours to permitt me to ship it on board the *Prince ffrederick*, and that I might shoot it amongst the bales which will take up no Stowage and make the Ship much more fitt to endure the Sea, and I hereby oblige myself that upon the *Prince Fredericks* Arrivall in England that the Honble Company shall have the acceptance of itt if they please paying the prime Cost which is £s. Sterling Two Thousand Six hundred Twenty seven Two shillings and Eight pence, an Invoice of which I promise to deliver the Court of Directors upon Oath if required together with the same freight to the owners as pepper shipt off at Madrass, upon Request and Respondentia which is twenty five p^r^. c^t^. payable Six Months after the arrivall of the aforesaid ship & 5 p^r^. c^t^. upon the gross sale to me as Commission and in consideration of the hazard I run in advancing the said sum and I desire that this

request may pass for a Register of the aforesaid Pepper and I hope as by precedents heretofore the Company will be considerable gainers thereby, with due Submission I beg leave to Subscribe myself—

Honoured Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servant
EDWD. MARTIN

November 23rd 1719.

Reply to above letter.

To CAPT. EDWARD MARTIN Commanding Ship *Prince Frederick.*

We have this morning receiv'd 'your request for shooting Pepper amongst your bales, The Honble Court of Directors have expressly order'd that when such a Case as yours now is does happen that we acquaint you that whatever Pepper is so Ship'd you are to receive but half freight as pepper sent from Madrass and we can't permitt your carrying it home on any other terms. We now register your paper wherein our Honble Masters are to have the refusall of all your Pepper so laden and shall forward the same to them by your Ship *Prince Frederick.* We are

Your ffriends and humble Servants
SAMUELL FEAKE &ca. Councill

FORT WILLIAM,
Nov. 28th 1719.

1366.—DESPATCH OF THE SHIP *PRINCE FREDERICK.*

Saturday,, November 28th.[1] All the Papers being prepared for the dispatch of Ship *Prince Frederick,*

AGREED that they be signed and the Packet made up, and Order'd That Mr Waterworth Collett do go down to Coxes and dispatch her from thence.

Saturday, December 5th. Mr Waterworth Collett being returned from Coxes acquaints us that he dispatched the Ship *Prince Frederick* from thence the 1st Instant.

1367.—CONSIDERATION OF PATNA LETTER POSTPONED TILL NEXT CONSULTATION DAY.

Saturday, December 5th. The Patna Generall Letter being again brought on the Board for our reperusall & Consideration Messrs. Browne & Barker earnestly requested our Governour

[1] November 29 was Advent Sunday. The moon was new on November 30.

that he would deferr our proceeding on that Affair for two or three days, wherefore—

AGREED we delay it till next Consultation day that the Gentlemen may offer what they can in their own Defence.

1368.—GROUND RENT FOR SŪTĀNUṬĪ, CALCUTTA AND GOVINDPUR.

Tuesday, December 8th.

Sookdeb Carowree[1] [Sukhdeva *karoṛi*] demanding three hundred twenty five Sicca Rupees for four months ground Rent of Chuttanuttee [Sūtānuṭī] de [*ḍih*] Calcutta in the Purgunna [*parganā*] of Amarivad [Amīrābād] in Jaffer Cawns [Ja'far Khān's] Jaggeer [*jāgīr*] due the 1st Instant. Allso Seventy sicca Rupees for that part of Govindpore [Govindpur] in the Purgunna [*parganā*] of Pican due the same time both Sums amounting to Rupees Three Hundred Ninety five—

AGREED the President pay the same in Madrass Rupees and pay the Collector one Rupee eight anaes Madrass as Customary.[1]

1369.—BROWNE AND BARKER DISMISSED THE SERVICE.

Tuesday, December 8th.

We having severall just reasons to Suspect the ill Success in the resettlement of Patna, proceeded in great measure from the mismanagement or worse of Messrs Samuell Browne and Hugh Barker as well in relation to our Honble Masters affairs, as to the private traders, Who all in generall too justly complained, how great sufferers they had been the last Season, and the unfairness of their Accounts for which they could not [? persuade] those Gentlemen to make any Satisfaction, in so much that none would trade or trust them with any further Consignment; Consequently we could not judge such men fitt to be trusted with our Honble Masters Affairs, which we nor none elce would trust with their own.

For the aforesaid Reasons it was unanimously agreed by this board to Shift hands, as per Consultation of the 25th June last, wherein we covered our real Reasons for the removing Mr Samuell Browne, in regard we were unwilling to Slurr or Sully their Reputation, before we had Certain proofs of their Dishonesty or that they had the opportunity of endeavouring in person to defend themselves against the Severall Charges laid to them.

[1] The third portion of the third instalment of rent was paid on February 9, 1720.

The 25th July Messrs. Edward Stephenson and Thomas Falconer who were orderd to Succeed Messrs. Browne and Barker left this place, and the 5th of August came to hand a Letter from Patna dated the 28th July wherein they prepare us for a heavy Durbar charge with an Account of Rogoo Punditt [Raghū *paṇḍit*] their Fattua [Fatūhā] Gomasta [*gumāshtah*] being seized by the Nabob and a Demand made for no less than fifty Thousand Rupees in lieu of twenty Years Customs which said Rogoo [Raghū] Punditt [*paṇḍit*] had cheated the Kings Government of.

Again in their Letter of the 15th August which came to hand the 12th September they tell us of the hard usage & unjust imprisonment of said Rogoo [Raghū] Ponditt [*paṇḍit*] met with for 25 Days the Nabob demanding unreasonable Sums for his releasement.

Their Letter of the 23rd September came to hand the 6th October enclosing their Cash Accounts & Charges Generall for the months of July & August in the latter of which to our great Surprize we found five thousand Siccaes charged for Clearing said Rogoo [Raghū] Ponditt [*paṇḍit*] with a Paragraph of pretended Excuses for the Nabobs imposition not at all Consistant with their former Letter where they lay the Stress of Rogoo [Raghū] Ponditts [*paṇḍit's*] having defrauded the King of his Customs but now only plead the Nabobs demand of Two Thousand Rupees for a Mismanny [*mezbānī*][1] & further extortion for his protection during this Interregnum.

Taking into Consideration the inconsistancy of Messrs. Browne and Barkers Letters and perusing their Cash Account for the month of August where they had Charged five thousand Siccae Rupees barely for the releasement of a black fellow from prison we immediately Agreed in Consultation of the 8th of October to write a Letter to Messrs. Samuell Browne and Edward Stephenson and Thomas Falconer the then appointed Councill at Patna ordering them to make enquiry into and give us an Account of what necessity there was that our Honble Masters should pay such a sum as five thousand Rupees for the clearance of a Gomasta [*gumāshtah*] or Black Servant. Our Letter Bearing date the 12th October with Messrs. Stephenson and Falconers Answer (Messrs. Browne and Barker leaving the place two days before our Letter arrived them) is entred after this

[1] *Mezbānī*, money to provide a banquet or entertainment.

Consultation by which your Honours may please to observe the unjustness of the 5,000 Rupees Sicca being Charged to your Honours Accounts as also Severall other Articles of their ill Conduct & dishonest management in that branch of your Affairs with which they were intrusted.

Messrs. Stephenson and Falconers answer dated 9th November arrived us the 22nd November & was tendered to Messrs. Browne & Barker for their Perusall, we deferring the Consideration thereof being then preparing for the dispatches of Ship *Prince Frederick* after which the Councill being Summonsed the 5th Instant to Consider on this Affair Messrs. Browne & Barker requesting of our Governour that their examination might be deferr'd for a day or two that they might prepare what they had to offer in their own Defence it was accordingly deferred till this Instant. We being mett and Messrs. Samuell Browne and Hugh Barker appearing before us the Governour Acquainted them of the Severall Charges against them particularly the 5,000 Siccaes paid by them out of the Honble Companys Cash for their own private and immediate Service & so dishonestly charged to our Honble Masters to which Mr. Samuell Browne offered nothing in his own defence more than desiring our favour in Consideration of his Family, upon which the Governour read the Honble Companys Standing Rules and orders to him which are so possitive & direct in cases of this nature that [redacted] Power or any of this board to deviate from, [redacted]Hugh Barker deliver'd in a paper which is annext to this Consultation endeavouring to mollifie his Case which we perusing find to Contain no Substantiall defence but rather evasive arguments to elude matter of fact, on which the Governour desired them to withdraw, when we Again perusing and maturely considering the Honble Companys orders in such like Cases, it is unanimously Agreed that they both be from this day dismissed from the Honble Companys Service, on which the Governour sent for them in and acquainted them thereof.

Mr. Hugh Barker delivered in a Petition which he had ready in his pockett insinuating Mr. Brownes being Cheif and sole director of the Cash &ca. Affairs, but that is a meer evasion as fully appears by his having signed all the Cash &ca. Accounts with Mr. Browne, his Petition is annext to this Consultation.

(1) Copy of the Letter sent by the Council to Patna 12th October 1719.

To

MESSRS. SAMUELL BROWNE
EDWARD STEPHENSON
& THOMAS FALCONER

SIRS

We have before us your Letter of the 23rd Ultimo by which we observe you designe to make but one fleet, an early fleet would have been very serviceable for the early dispatch of our Honble Masters Ships so that the sooner your fleet comes the better.

We find you are like to fall very Short of the Companys Quantity of Petre this year if the troubles in the Country which you give for reason be genuin, we must be satisfied, but we hope no private trade in that Commodity has stood in Competition with the Companys, and we further expect a particular Account of every Salt Petre Assamy [*asāmī*] what part each have deliverd in of their Contracts and what remain behind with a particular account of their Charactors and Creditt, & also when its Likely we shall have the remainder deliverd.

Messrs. Browne and Barker assured us last year the Nabob promised them the remittance of the exorbitant demands which had been usuall, and that he shew'd them wonderfull favours which encouraged us to Condescend to the Extravagant Expence they putt the Honble Company to in resettling Patna Residency, it is something strange he should so soon forgett such a Contract he was so well paid for, in Short we Cannot bear such Impositions, but must and will withdraw the Settlement unless you can bring him to more reasonable terms & this you must tell him and Demonstrate to him that we are resolved not only to withdraw but that [redacted] will make reprisalls if he pretends to fleece us as he [redacted] others.

We have receiv'd a Letter dated the 24th Ultimo from Messrs. Browne and Barker enclosing their Charges Generall and Cash Accounts for the months of July & August, in the latter of which to our great Surprize we find charged five Thousand Siccaes given to clear a black Banian [*banyā*] Rogoo [Raghu] Punditt [*paṇḍit*] from Prison with a long Harrangue of the great trouble and affliction he had met with, but in Short had he been treated ten times worse or even to Death, we can see no reason the Company have to pay so dear for the clearance of any black fellow in the Country nor can we pass any such Account without much more Substantiall reasons than any we have had yet, certainly those Gentlemen forgett what they wrote us in their Letter of the 26th July last wherein they say he was seized on for twenty Years Customs he had Cheated the King off, it is most Certain he could never Cheat them on Account the Company because they never paid any Custom & Consequently they never ought to pay any sum for Clearing him from any such like demand.

We cannot conclude without telling you this appears to us a very dark Story & that we expect a very particular [account] of it *bona fide* from you.

Gentlemen—We are
Your Loving Friends & Servants
SAMUELL FEAKE &c^a. COUNCILL.

FORT WILLIAM,
13th October, 1719.

(2) *Messrs. Stephenson & Falconers Answer to foregoing Letter.*

Dated 9th November, 1719.

To the Honble SAMUELL FEAKE ESQR.
Govr. of Fort William, & President for
Affairs of the Honble United English
East India Company &c^a. Councill in Bengall.
HON^ble SIR AND SIRS

Mr Stephenson wrote your Honour &c^a. from Futtua [Fatūhā] the 26th Ultimo advising of his having dispatched the boats from Noadda [Nauwādā] with an Account of what goods laden on them Account the Honble Company.

The 28th Ultimo we were favoured with your Hon^r &c^us. Letter of the 12th to which we now humbly reply, by our former Letters Your Hon^r &c^a. were informed of the Neccessity we were under of dispatching the boats all together with an Account of the Impositions from the Government.

We observe what Messrs. Browne & Barker wrote your Honour &c^a. of the wonderfull Civility the Nabob shew'd them with his promise of remitting the former demands here, We have enquired of our Vacquell [*vakīl*] Roopchund [Rūpchand] who was employ'd to adjust the business with the Nabob about resettling this Factory, he says he transacted all that Affair [illegible] means of one Deelnarramsaw [Dilnārāyan Sāha] an Eminent Shro[illegible] [illegible]] & a great favourite of the Nabobs who undertook the Nabob should Comply with his promise, which was to excuse the Pishcash [*peshkash*]; for a yealy present in Rarietys as formerly; Upon the arrivall of Messrs. Browne & Barker at Futtua [Fatūhā] they receivd Letters from said Deelnarramsaw [Dilnarāyan Sāha] to the same Effect, however, when they came to Patna they thought fitt to take the management of the Affair out of his hands and wholly employd Sheak Golammomud [Shekh Ghūlām Muḥammad] (a Creature of the Nabobs and only so Account of putting him in a way to oppress & fleece all in his Power) to which wrong step Roopchund [Rūpchand] imputes in a Great measure the Extravagant Expence We have been at & that had our business Continued in the management of the former we should have been able to have adjusted it on much more reasonable termes.

Your Honour &c^a. having orderd us to send a particular account of the last Years Salt Petre Investment we here enclose an Account of what Sums advanced to the severall Assamys [*asāmīs*] what receivd from each of them and what ballance due from them, we have distinguished those

who remain Debtors under the Denominations of good & Doubtfull, the first we are not apprehensive the Company will [be] Loosers by tho perhaps we may not receive all their ballance this Year; By the others particularly Doodoray [Dūdha Rāe], Julrray [Jalar Rae], Lookman [Lakshman], & Terrulponde [Taral Pāṇḍe], we believe our Honble Masters will be great Sufferers, & we cannot help observing to your Honour &c^a that they had Dadney [*dādnī*] given them contrary to the advice of Peraun [Prān] and Severall of our most Substantiall Assamys [*asāmīs*] which we think ought to have been Sufficient Caution not to trust them Shea Golammomud [Shekh Ghūlām Muḥammad] and Mier Ismael [Mīr Ismā'īl] are able to Comply with the Contracts but as it is to be questioned whither they will we have included them under this head, further in Case they are not inclinable to discharge their Ballances, we shall find it very Difficult if not impossible to compell them, By Messr^s Browne and Barkers private Contracts with the Companys Assamys [*asāmīs*] our Honble Masters have not been nor shall be Sufferers which they would have been greatly had not your Honour &c^a sent us hither for they both severall times demanded a proportion with the Company of what Salt Petre received according to their Teeps [*ṭips*] & very freely owned they would have done so had your Honr &c^a continued in them the power, Nay Mr Barker went so far as to demand it in writing in the nature of a protest because we would not Consent to their having any till the Companys Teeps [*ṭips*] were fully Compleated.

According to Your Honour &c^a orders We have made a particular inquiry into the Cause of Rogoo Punditts [Raghū *paṇḍit's*] imprisonment For whose release five Thousand Rupees was paid & charged by Messr^s Browne & Barker to the Honble Companys Account. We have examined the man himself who declares that he was imprisoned for buying Ophium without the City contrary to the Nabobs express order, he further declares that he two or three times wrote to the Gentlemen that were here desiring them to excuse him from medling in any such affair, being apprehensive of the Consequence but they sent him repeated orders to buy and they would protect him so he was oblig'd to comply. They were frequently cautioned likewise by Peraun [Prān] Soot Deloll [Sūtī, *dallāl*] & Sheak-Golom-momud [Shekh Ghulām Muḥammad] (the last of whom had with their Consent given an obligation in their names that they should not buy) not to meddle therein for that there would trouble ensue but they neglected all advice, Rogoo Ponditt [Raghū *paṇḍit*] was seized and they obliged to pay the money for his release, since their departure our Chupra Mutsuddy Sumbonaut [*mutaṣaddī* Shambhūnāth] (Rogoo [Raghū] Punditts [*paṇḍit's*] son) has been seized and imprisoned on this same account they alledging that in the agreement for Rogoo [Raghū] Punditts [*paṇḍit's*] release there was 500 Rupees to be paid in hand and 2000 on the dispatch of our boats, for this 2000 rupees he is seized and We have used our utmost Endeavours to get his Liberty but they have proved ineffectual and we do not see he will be cleared till said Sum is paid. Not being here at that time we are entirely ignorant of what agreement was made. Golommomud [Ghulām Muḥammad] who was employ'd at the Durbarr [*darbār*] in this affair declares 7000 rupees was agreed to be paid but Peraun [Prān] says he never heard of more than five, whither the Gentlemen that were here were

acquainted with his we know not but by what we can learn Golom-momud [Ghulām Muḥammad] and Roopchund [Rūpchand] did agree to the payment of 7Q00 rupees at the Nabobs Durbar [*darbār*]. We are daily importuned by Rogoo [Raghū] Ponditt [*paṇḍit*] to pay said sum for the release of his Son who Suffers for his obeying the orders of the Gentlemen that were here, we have told him we cant pay any Sum without your Honours orders with which he is obliged to be satisfied. We request your Honour &c^{a} will be pleased to take this affair into Consideration & send us orders what we must do therein, As soon as we received the Companys Books from Messrs Browne & Barker We spoke to them concerning the 5000 rupees paid Account Rogoo [Raghū] Ponditt [*paṇḍit*] and desired them to write said Sum back or we must advise your Honour &c^{a} thereof, they then excused it by saying the Nabob had made a demand for 2000 rupees for a Messmanny [*mezbānī*] & on Account of former Customs which reasons not being Satisfactory they at last pressed us to stay and make a thorough enquiry into the Affair before we wrote which we consented to, & had not your Honour &c^{a} order'd us to send you an Account of this Affair We should not have been so remiss in our Duty as to have Suffered such a Charge to pass without acquainting you thereof.

The Attrophy [*aṭrāfī*] [1] is a Duty taken by the Nabob from the Lunias [*lūniās*] [2] who boil the Salt Petre from every ffactory so much money & Such a Quantity of Petre, this duty is generally farmed by some of the Inhabitants here but last Year (Contrary to former Custome) Messrs Browne and Barker agree[d] with Sheak Golom-momud [Shekh Ghulām Muḥammad] to take a part thereof jointly with him. This they did on pretence of Securing our Assamys [*asāmīs*] from any Trouble from the Government. At the foot of the Account of Salt Petre deliver'd as signed by them (Copy whereof comes enclosed) they have mentiond for Attrophy [*aṭrāfī*] 1a. per Md on 23259md. 21sr. 8ch. which amounts to Rupees 1453-11-6 which they expected we would charge in the Invoice & is the method they proposed the Company should be reimburst for what paid on that Account As it has never been a Custom for the Company to pay any such duty We could not consent to charging it in the Invoice nor that the Company should pay the loss sustained by their farming it, a particular Account of what paid on that Account with what receivd [by] your Honour &c^{a} have here enclosed, This money Peraun [Prān] paid by their order but in their Accounts have not given him Creditt for it alledging it was taken for the Companys Account &, they must pay it, Now we have truly stated the Case to your Honour &c^{a} we request your orders to whose Account this money must be charged, by farming this Duty there was generally some gain but the troubles in the Country this year have occasioned the Contrary which makes us question whether it was not taken with an eye to their own advantage, besides it appears strange to us, that if it was at first designed for the Companys account the Sum advanced was not Charged to them, nor your Honour &c^{a} advised thereof.

We herewith send an Account of our Expences in our way hither Likewise our Charges Generall and Cash Account for September with Invoice of goods

[1] *Aṭrāf*, plural of *ṭaraf*, side, direction, meaning the vicinity of any place.

[2] *Lūniyā* from *lūn*, or *nūn*, salt.

laden on the boats (who by Letters from Mr. Browne arrived Safe at Rajamall [Rājmahāl] the 1st of this month) by this time we hope the light boats have reached Calcutta with a Supply of Salt Petre.

One of our Chupra Assamys [*asāmīs*] Hermudunsaw [Har Madan Sāha] makes] a Demand of 600 Rupees which sum was taken from him by the Government at the instigation of the Dutch whose Assamy [*asāmī*] he had been and left them, he was apprehensive of being brought into trouble and told Mr. Barker so who promised to protect him from any imposition — which promise his demand is founded, we have hitherto evaded the payment tho' frequently pressed thereto by all our Assamys [*asāmīs*] who we are fearfull will not Consent to Contract with us till some Satisfaction is made. We shall avoid paying it if possible and if we find it absolutely necessary to pay something shall adjust it as reasonable as we can.

We have certain advises that Raja Jassein [Jaisimha] has visited the King so are in hopes these troubles will Soon be over. We hear likewise that Gyrat Cawn [Ghairat Khān] [1] and Hydracooly Cawn [Haidar Qulī Khān] [1] are both bound this way one tis reported is designed for this Suba Ship [*ṣūbah*] and the other for Elliabass [Allahabad] in the room of Rajah Chivdaram [Chhabīlah Rām] lately deceased,[1] we are in hopes on the arrivall of a new Subah [*ṣūbahdār*], We shall be able to adjust our business in much more reasonable termes. Our Nabob is now out of the City and its said is gone to fight the Engenes [Ujainīs] [2] however he has left a Deputy behind who fails not to oppress the City as much as if he were here himself.

Our present Vacquell [*vakīl*] Roopchund [Rūpchand] is very old and at present entirely depending on Golom-momud [Ghulām Muḥammad] who we have reason to think has done us many ill Offices, consequently he is unfitt to handle our business, We therefore request your Honour &c[us] permission to displace him and if you approve thereof we will entertain Mullmuckchund [Mulikchand] who was one of the Vacquels [*vakīl*] at Court with Mr. Surman who gave him a very good Character, unless in the mean time we can hear of a more proper Person.

At present we have not further to add than that we are with due respect.

Hon[ble] Sir & Sirs,

Your most Obed[t] Humble Servants

EDW[D] STEPHENSON

THOS. FFALCONER.

PATNA
9 Nov[r] 1719

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[1] Ghairat Khān had been appointed to the Āgrah *ṣūbah* on the 9th February 1719 O.S.; but the native historians have no mention of his transfer to 'Aẓīmābād Bahār. Haidar Qulī Khān left Āgrah for Allahābad on the 2nd November 1719 O.S. The report of Rājah Chhabīlah Rām's death was received at Āgrah on the 25th Zūl-ḥijjah 1131 H., that is 27th October 1719 O.S.

[2] The Ujainiyah clan, established to the south-west and west of Patna, under their own chiefs, were practically independent. They are represented by the modern house of Dumraon.

We herewith send a Phird [*fard*] of the Wacca [*waqā'yā*] which mentions Rajah Jaseins [Jaisimha's] having Visited the King.[1]

(3) Hugh Barker's Reply to the Allegations against him.

To the Honble Samuell Feake Esqr Govr of Fort William and President Affairs of the Honble Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies &c. Councill in Bengall.

This reply to some Allegations in a Letter dated the 9th November 1719 From Messrs. Edward Stephenson & Thos. Falconer In Patna is humbly directed & offerd to their Serious Consideration.

That the Civill reception and kind promises we had from the Nabob, was directly according to our Letterto the Honble Governour & Councill, being the Nabobs publick declaration in the Adellutt [*'adālat*] before all the Kings officers & the Multitude, as to Dailarams [Dayālrām's] or Golom-momuds [Ghulām Muḥammad's] service to the Honble Company before our arrivall we could not tell which was the greatest or whether any at all, unless we judge by their fflattering Letters which are always big with Self interest. It might Reasonably be beleived they were both concernd since their first Visit to us was together & ushered in by Roopchund [Rūpchand] Vacquell [*vakīl*] & Peraun [Prān] the Broker with whom they had been some days before, Both Peraun [Prān] the Broker and Roopchund [Rūpchand] were of opinion that Golom momud [Ghulām Muḥammad] was the Person of the greatest abilitys to Serve us, especially since the poor Circumstances of Dailaram [Dayālrām] made it impracticable to link ourselves with him, This man is gomastah [*gumāshtah*] to Fuckeer Chund [Fakīrchand] of Ponypunt [Pānipat], having brought his Masters Factory in Patna to the state of Bankruppcy, In this pickle and only with the acquaintance of a Single Visit he told Us "He heard we had brought a "quantity of treasure with us, which he desired we would deliver into his "ffactory & he would Creditt us for a Leek [*lākh*] of Rupees as occasion required "withall that we would trust him with 300 pieces Ordinary Broad Cloth. I had all imaginable reason to dread Such a Costly friendship, besides the further he served us, the deniall must become the more difficult, not long after this accident Dailaram [Dayālrām] was for misbeheaviour and insolvency displaced and another Gomastoe [*gumāshtah*] arrived in his room, Wherefore his only employ at present is attending the Durbar [*darbār*], renting Jaggeers [*jāgīrs*] and being Security for the Jemidars [*zamīndārs*], the lowest ebb that can attend a Merchant: Besides the Nabob who was his patron in ffelicity has lately had Chowkeys [*chaukis*] upon him for his own Demands.

To the Gentlemens examination of the 5000 rupees paid to the Nabob, Account Regoo [Raghū] Ponditt [*paṇḍit*]: I beg leave to make the following reply. The Nabob who is himself a man of prey and more inclined to oppress than

1 Jai Singh Sawāe does not appear to have come to Court; but on the 1st October O.S. the had, by the persuasion of Rājah Ajit Singh, Rāhtor, marched back from Fodah Bhim to Amber. Some say that he received as much as twenty lakhs of rupees from the Sayyads.

protect did for the Space of 4 Months from February demand 2000 Rupees for a Messmanny [*mezbānī*] only for passing by the Chupra Ground it could not be called factory since the ffoundation was not long laid and no Englishman or Mutsuddy [*mutaṣaddī*] on the Spot, and altho the nature of these Messmannys [*mezbānīs*] (or wellcomeing presents) never amount to 100rs. in rice goats &c^{a}. Yet was 2000rs. the Sum demanded, Add to all this The unfortunate Interregnum in the month of March by the dethroning of Furruckseer [Farrukhsīyar] & was followed by the setting up three Princes successively as such accidents put the whole Kingdom into Convulsions so the greatest irregularities and Abuses are to be fear'd for this reason I humbly conceive it was more our Interest to Court the Nabobs favour who without the times has a naturall falculty of injustice, under this umbrage I proceeded to the aurungs [*aurangs*] & brought in near 40000rs. of the Honble Companys goods esteemed much safer under the Suba [*ṣūbahdār*] than the Jemidars [*zamīndārs*], the latter not being troubled with the very shew of honesty, neither did the Nabob omitt tacking an Expence to his Civility, Frequently asking, "will you pay me nothing for my protection? Compare the difference with the last Interregnum." And indeed he put the matter in Execution with the whole City before it came to our turn, There being neither Dutch, other Merchant or Shroph [*ṣarrāf*] that had not upon some pretence or another been mulcted from 5 to 15000 rupees. During this Series of abuses the Nabob at the instigation of the Durbar [*darbār*] Harpeys required us to give an obligation not to buy Ophium without the City and accordingly, sometimes confining and always pressing our Vacquel [*vakīl*], Old Roopchund [Rūpchand] finding me averse to the innovation, of his own head wrote an obligation which Sooty [Sūtī] Deloll [*dallāl*] shewing Mr. Browne and me, before its delivery, Mr. Browne by my advice tore it, forbidding any such presumption for the future, Here I believ'd it requisite maturely to reflect on these growing abuses & that instead of Clearing the old former pishcash [*peshkash*] promised by the Nabob, we were submitting to impositions never heard off, and which, altho that was not directly a branch of the Honble Companys Trade, yet must speedily affect all other particulars When the Merchants Petre Hassamys [*asāmīs*] & Shopkeepers, would with the Expectation of Selling to us themselves bribe the Nabob not to Suffer us to buy Salt Petre P^{s}. goods &c^{a}, without the City, & to render it the more plausible that this would enhaunce the Nabobs custom of Budrecca [*badraqah*],[1] which he always receives from the Merchants but cannot from us who have the Protection of the King's Phirmaund [*farmān*], From that time the Nabobs demands grew cool & upon only asking to bring in a small Quantity (more for musters than anything else) Golommomud [Ghulam Muḥammad] the Nabobs minion Sooty Deloll [Sūtī *dallāl*] & others told us & Poraun [Prān] we had the Nabobs permission, in the month of June the Budrecca Droga [*badraqah dārōghah*] Abdell Hossein ['Abdul Ḥusain] seizd Rogoo [Raghū] Ponditt [*paṇḍit*] upon his going from the Factory to his house in Futtua [Fatūhā] From whence being carryed to Patna the first demand was

[1] *Badraqah*, Persian, an escort.

for cheating the King of 50000 rupees Custom by screening sundry Merchants trade and investments, next ensued a demand for his son Otmarams [Ātmarām's] wifes being after a publick manner in adultery with Peraun [Prān] the Broker, (Peraun [Prān] being likewise look't after and not daring to stirr out of the Factory in the day for severall months) but as the offender Praun [Prān] the Broker was not procurable they descended to a demand Account buying Ophium, To which reply was made that if they could prove it upon him, the persons or goods produced, He was content to pay a fine, But in truth he had not above three or four Mds and that not bought in a publick manner, but secretly by his own Servant in order to deliver in Afterwards at the markett price, From hence ensued ill usage to the person imprisoned, not suffering him to set or lay down restraining his Victualls tying up for the whip &c^{a} all which continuing above a month & bringing the old Man to Deaths door, I say these reasons with the thought that the whole Cloth Investment was under his Charge in Futtua [Fatūhā], the making up of which was at an entire Stop & that at this particular time of an interregnum we had no force to protect our ffactorys or selves; we were against my inclinations constrained to pay the money thereby preventing any violent hands being laid on our other Gomastoes [*gumāshtah*] & Servants who were investing the Honble Companys money at the aurungs [*aurangs*] or elce where, I now humbly offer; whether as I duely & honestly pay the Honble Companys Consulage A Branch of private trade always used by the English & never objected against in this manner, no more than our peice goods and Salt Petre may not plead some excuse for an unforseen Error of this kind, Especially when it was the Opinion of the whole City, that such an Innovation would certainly make way for the rest above mention'd, Finally I humbly submitt my hard Case to this Honble board and am now ready from my own pockett to repay my proportion of the money to my Honb^{le} Masters which the Nabob unfortunately forced from me.

The Attrophy [*aṭrāfi*] of which we advised the Honble Governour & Councill as an incident charge on the Salt Petre as per Letter dated March 27th is the Subahs [*subahdār's*] Custom on the Lunias [*lūniās*] & not rented from him for any known advantage but the protection of the Hassamys [*asāmīs*], Upon our arrivall we found the Dutch in possession of the Singia Pergunnahs [Singhiyā *parganas*], Vizt., Bessarah, Goa, Cusmer, Rutty, Guddason, Muckear,[1] & the Chupra Purgunnaes Manjee & Cheron,[2] it is the nature of the proprietor in this Affair to Exercise great Severity flinging down the ox loading off all the Luneas [*lūniās*] & first demanding the Attrophy [*aṭrāfi*] The amount of each particular mans Share being controverted & abundance of Difficultys Started: The Poor Luniahs [*lūniās*] are obliged to Sell them only which is the Chief thing intended, Upon our giving out Dadney [*dādnī*] for the new Year & not finding the Singia Ballagutch Hassamys [Singhiyā Bālagachh *asāmīs*] Sufficient to perform

[1] Bisārā, Goā, Kasmā, Rati, Gadesher, Makīr. Goā and Makīr are at present *parganās* of the Sāran district. The others belong to Tirhut. See Hunter's *Statistical Account of Bengal*, 1877, XIII, 182-198, and XI, 357-359.

[2] Manjhī and Cherānd, now *parganās* of the Sāran district. Singhiyā is now a village with a police outpost, in Tirhut.

an Investment of 30,000 mds. Salt Petre we were obliged to have recourse to Chuprah [Chapra], not without difficulty Severall Substantiall Hassamys [*asāmis*] who had since the withdrawing our former ffactory contracted with the Dutch they now left them. The Dutch who used to receive yearly about 45000 mds. from that place alone, observing our footing notwithstanding the Nabobs horsemen, Chubdars [*chobdārs*] & Duans [*dīwān's*] Dustick [*dastak*] procured by them to prevent itt made now a further Essay & without any manner of reason by bribery prevail'd on Sheer Algun Cawn [Sher Afgan Khān] the Phowsdars [*faujdār's*] son to seize Subachund [Sobhā Chand] the son of Hernundunsaw [Harnandan Sāha] our top Assamy [*asāmī*], all the rest flying away & hiding themselves after some days Imprisonment and hard usage Upon the Dutch pleading their power of Attrophy [*aṭrāf'i*] (for ballance there was none) he was obliged to pay 600 Rupees to the Government for his release, This accident put all the rest of our Contractors in a pannick fear; the most responsible of which & largest Contractors begg'd we would take the Attrophy [*aṭrāf'i*] for their protection otherwise they would immediately return our Dadney [*dādnī*] & look for it where they Could find it the Year expiring about December (or Poos according to the Moors) & the Dutch ready to renew their Sunod [*sanad*]. I believed it our Duty to strive for it, & redress such abuses, which they had just imposed on us, As the Dutch offered to take the whole 39 Attrophy Purgunna [*aṭrāf'i parganā*] the good with the bad, we were obliged for our Honble Masters Interest to secure them to ourselves, And accordingly they were taken for the Year at about 3200 in money and Salt Petre as per paticulars in the Sunnod [*sanad*], Yet to Consult frugality as well as an investiture of power, it was in conjuncture with Golommomud [Ghulām Muḥammad] versed in affairs of that nature, the money hitherto advanced is 1075 Rs. of which, both Petre & money has been gather'd in wherefore in the best & worst of times the difference cannot be a Loss or Gain of 400 it may be obseved the Gentlemen say the farming of this matter was an innovation, but I humbly appeal to this Honble board especially since the difference is so small whether it was not better to keep the Staff of protection in our own hands than let others have it and Charge the duty on all our goods. The sum advanced being in all 1705 rupees it was calculated at 1a. per md. on 27233mds. 38sr. 8ch. Viz^t^. 1453rs. 11an. 6p. on 23259mds. 21sr. 8ch. Account the Honble Comp. & 252r. 2a. 6p. Account private trade on 4034mds. 17sr. Now I humbly appeal whither Petre has ever been known to come out so cheap as 2r. 3a. & 2r. 4a. the former Books always Specifying from 2r. 8a to 2r. 12a. & Accidentally more As this Account is now stated according to the money advanc'd the Nabob, so when the Cash & Petre is gathered in that Head will receive a Considerable Creditt. I am sorry the Gentlemen insinuates we took it to make an advantage to our selves; Seing I, for my part, had never any thought of it; but for the protection above mention'd.

As to the allegation that I after an indirect manner promised Hernundunsaw [Harnandan Sāha] to reimburse the 600 Rs. taken account his son by the Government, I solemnly protest never to have done any such thing, but on the Contrary told him, he must bear what was past as well as he could yet that I would endeavour at all proper measures for his Future protection, nay when Hernundunsaw [Harnandan Sāha] started this thing to M^r^. Stephenson during

my being at Patna, I did declare to Messrs Browne, Stephenson, Falconer & Peraun [Prān] the Broker That I had never directly nor indirectly promised him a reimbursement, with which every one at that time seemd Convinc'd and Heraundunsaw [Harnandan Sāha] receded.

Messrs Stephenson & Falconer observing Roopchund Vacqueel's [Rūpchand *vakīl's*] entire reliance of Golommomud [Ghulām Muḥammad] as a reason to displace him does demonstrate that I did not take the Durbar [*darbār*] business from Dailaram [Dayālrām] without Roopchund & Praun [Rūpchand and Prān] the Brokers proposalls & approbations.

I now humbly offer that as I acted only in the Quality of Second to Mr Saml Browne whose is the Executive part, I hope it may prove some alleviation to what alledged against me. Besides as Mr Browne was himself ignorant of both the language & Customs, & withall to the last degree ever Jealouse of me, He put an entire Confidence in Perauns [Prān's] Councill & Management.

This being what I had humbly to offer to this Honble board, In hopes of their favourable Opinion, I am with all submission,

Honble Sir & Sirs,
Your most obedient humble Servant,
HUGH BARKER.

FORT WILLIAM,
The 8th Dec. 1719.

(4) *Hugh Barker's Petition.*

To the Honble SAMUELL FEAKE Esqr Governour of Fort William & President for Affairs of the Honble Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies &cn Councill. In Bengall.

The humble Petition of Hugh Barker sheweth: that whereas the Honble Board have determined the five Thousand Rupees taken by the Suba [*ṣūbahdār*] of Patna, had no immediate reference to the Honble Companys Affairs, He prays that any fault on his side may not deprive him of the Honble Companys Service he being willing notwithstanding Mr Browne was Cheif & sole director of the Cash & other Affairs (Hugh Barker being frequently Absent at the Outward Factorys) to pay his proportion of the money back, nay Even the whole sum upon Mr Saml Brownes insolvency and that the Affair being referr'd to the Candid & mercifull Determination of our Honble Masters may be his Severest Censure.

He also humbly offereth that for all debts &ca which may be judged to appertain to his Account in Patna, by this Honble Board he is with the greatest Submission ready to discharge them on the first demand, And your Humble Petitioner shall ever pray

FORT WILLIAM,
Dec 8th 1719.

HUGH BARKER.

(5) *Account of the* Aṭrāfī.

Dr.			Cr		
1719		ATTROPHY.			
To Cash paid according to Agreement with the Nabob ...	1938·9.—		By Cash received on this Account	762	13
Durbar Charges	500.		By Sheak Gullammomud [Shekh Ghulām Muḥammad] for ½ of what rec^{d} by him, 101·15	50	15 6
Servants wages	335.			813	12 6
Cajanchu [*khizānchi, i.e.*, cash-keeper] ...	33.10		By Ballance Irrecoverably lost on this Act^{t} besides the 158mds. 11sr. 14ch. of Petre as below	1371	3 6
Petty Charges ...	20.				
Loss of Batta ...	37.				
Rupees	2864.3		Rupees ...	2185	
½ of which being on Act^{t} Gullammomud the other in Messrs Browne & Barkers name is ...		1432 1 6			
To Sheak Golommomud for ½ of the rent of Severall Purgunnaes Mr Barker took upon himself amt^{g} to rs. 1505.13, the ½ is ...		752 14 6			
Rupees ...		2185	By ½ of what received by Sheak Gullammomud 261.20	130	30
			Ballance	158	11 14
To Salt Petre to be given the Nabob on this Act^{t} as per agreement Mds. 578. 3. 12 the ½ is 289. 1. 14.			Md^{s}	289	1 14

1370.—WILL OF JOHN MAYNARD.

Saturday, December 12th.

The last Will & Testament of John Maynard Deceast was now brought before us by Capt· Rich^{d}· Benfield Executor thereof.

Copy of John Maynard's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I John Maynard being very sick & weake but of perfect mind & Memory do make and appoint this to be my last will and Testament in manner & form following, that is to say Viz^{t}.

Imprimis I give and bequeath my soul to the Almighty God in hopes of forgiveness of my Sins through the merits of our Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ.

Item I give and bequeath unto Captain Richard Benfield al such worldly effects as it hath pleased God to bestow upon me after my Debts and Funerall Charges paid and my Body to be interred at the Discretion of Captain Richard Benfield whom I do appoint to be my Executor, I Disannuling all former Wills made by me, made this Nineteenth day of November in the Year of our Lord one Thousand Seven hundred & Nineteen.

Signed Seal'd and delivered where no stampt Paper is to be had in the presence of us

JOHN MAYNARD

Seal.

E. MARTIN.
JOHN BLUMSTEAD
SOLN MARGAS

1371.—A NEW PRETENDER.

Tuesday, December 15th.

This day received a Letter from Mr John Deane &c[a] at Cossimbuzar, dated the 12th Instant. In said Letter they advise us that three Fuckeers [*fakirs*] arrivd there from the southward, One of which on their arrivall wrote a Letter to Jaffer Cawn [Ja'far Khān] who reports He is Mahmud Shaws [Maḥammad Shāh's] Elder Brother and that in the Troubles in Agra both he and his Brother made their Escapes out of the fort and having nothing with them of Value but a Diamond ring which his Brother went into the Buzar [*bāzār*] to sell was seized which he having Notice off made his Escape and fled into the Dacan [Dakhin] Country and so came round by Jaggrenaut [Jagannāth] into Bengall, so that Jaffer Cawn [Ja'far Khān] has seized him and put him in Irons, & Sent Severall Expresses to Court about him.[1]

1372.—DESPATCH OF THE *KING WILLIAM*.

Tuesday, December 15th.

All Papers being prepared for the dispatch of Ship *King William*, Capt. James Winter Commander,

AGREED That they be sign'd & the Packett for England and Madrass made up, and

ORDERD That Mr Samuell Greenbill goe down to Coxes and deliver the Captain his dispatches.

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[1] This pretender's story of the diamond ring seems founded on the circumstances under which Muḥammad Karīm, eldest son of Aʿẓimu-sh-Shān, was captured at Lāhor in 1712. See Vol. II, Pt. 1, p. xxvi. The elder brother of Muḥammad Shāh was slain at Lāhor on the 16th March 1712 O.S. at the same time as his father, Jahān Shāh. See p. xxvii of the same volume. There was no relation of Muḥammad Shāh in Āgrah fort.

1373.—MR. HUGH BARKER'S PETITION TO PROCEED TO EUROPE.

Saturday, 19th December.

Just now received the humble petition of Mr Hugh Barker wherein he desires he may be permitted to proceed fore Europe this Season on the Ship *Cadogan*.

To the Honble SAMUELL FEAKE Esqr Governour of Fort William & President for Affairs of the Honble Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies &c. Councill in Bengall.

The Humble Petition of Hugh Barker Sheweth, that whereas He has been removed from the Honble Companys Service in Bengall He now prays that he may be permitted to proceed for Europe this Season on the Ship *Cadogan* In order to crave mercy & pardon from the Right Honble Court of Directors, And he is ready to the utmost of his power to discharge all his Debts and Endemnifye the Honble Company by giving them his Bond making over all his Effects that he is or may be possessed of or any other measures which this Honble board shall believe sufficient according to his Capacity This is with Submission offer'd by their Humble Petitioner.

HUGH BARKER.

FORT WILLIAM,
December 19—1719.

1374.—DEMAND OF Rs. 7,860-14-6 DUE FROM BROWNE AND BARKER.

Monday, December 21st.

Messrs Samuell Browne & Hugh Barker being dismist the Honble Companys Service as per Consultation of the 8th Instant it was necessary first to make up their Accounts of what due from them to the Honble Company for to reimburst them the Severall Articles which they have so unjustly charged to our Honble Masters the particulars for which they plainly appear to stand Dr Vizt.

To 5000 Siccas paid the Nabob for clearing of Rogoo Ponditt [Raghū *paṇḍit*] who was seized for buying Ophium on their own private Accounts without the City (Contrary to the Nabobs express Orders) pretended to be for the Companys Affairs & as such charged in their Cash Account for the month August which at the rate of 105½ Madrass Rupees for 100 Siccaes the rate bills of Exchange to Patna cost us is Madrass rupees 5275.
Batta 10 per Cent. ... 527. 8
6802. 8

To Loss on Act. Attrophy [*atrafi*] which Messrs Browne & Barker farm'd on their own Accts. & would now transferr the loss thereon to the Honble Company Patna ... rs. 1371. 3. 6
To do. in Petre Mds. 158. 11. 14 @ 3 rs. per md. is 474. 14. 3
1846. 1. 9 wch
at 62400 Patna rupees for 69630 Currt. Rupees of Calcutta the rate Bills of Exchn to Patna stand us in makes Rupees ... 2058. 6. 6
Currt. Rupees of Calcutta ... 7860. 14. 6

The aforesaid sum of rupees Seven thousand Eight hundred and sixty, fourteen anaes, six pyce being apparently due to the Honble Company,

ORDERED that the Secretary do immediately demand the same before any other Accounts be adjusted with any Merchants whatever.

1375.—A REPORT THAT ḤAIDAR QULĪ IS TO BE GOVERNOR OF BIHAR.

Thursday, December 24th.

Last night received a Letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson & Thomas Falconer from Patna dated the 10th inclosing their Charges Generall & Cash Account for months of October & November, they also request our orders for the next years Investment the Season being far advanced & the Dutch having given out Dadney [*dādnī*] for Salt petre five weeks ago, they likewise advise us of Hydercooly Cawns [Ḥaidar Qulī Khān] being appointed Subah [*ṣūbahdār*] of that province[1] & that he is on his way thither.

1376.—ZAMĪNDĀRĪ ACCOUNT FOR OCTOBER, 1719.[2]

Thursday, December 24th.

Mr. Waterworth Collett Jemindar [*zamīndār*] now brought in the account of Revennues for the month of October the Gross amount whereof being Four Thousand Three hundred Seventy three Rupees eight anaes, Particulars Viz^t.

	r.	a.	p.
By Ground Rent	1,161	8	
„ Gain on Cowries [*kauṛīs*]	7	2	3
„ Duty on Grain	181	3	3
„ Mangon [*mangan*]	570	7	9
„ Moldarry [*māldārī*]	3	5	3
„ Jan Buzarry [*tah bāzārī*]	126	1	
„ Weighmen	244	6	9
„ Wood	10	14	
„ Potts	1	2	
„ Caulkers	36	4	6
„ Banians [*banyās*]	5	1	9
„ Bramins [*Brahmans*]	2	5	
„ Ferry Boat	7	4	6
„ Cotton Beaters	1	13	9
„ Hogs	1	1	6
„ Butty [*bheṭī*]	159	10	3
„ Laying boates ashoar	1	15	9
Carried over ...	2521	11	3

[1] None of the native authorities mention any such appointment.

[2] See § 1090 above.

		r.	a.	p.
	Brought over ...	2521	11	3
By	Vermillion	22	14	9
„	Conjee [*kānji*]		8	9
„	The Markett	215	2	9
„	Delolly [*dallāli*] of D°	2	13	
„	Suba Buzar [Sobhā Bāzār]	72		3
„	Begum Buzar [Begam Bāzār]	25	9	
„	Jean Buzar [Jān Bāzār]	25	1	3
„	Sale of Houses	41	9	
„	Sallame [*salāmi*] of Potahs [*paṭṭahs*] ...	206	6	9
„	Recovering Debts	69	11	
„	Peons Fees	153	2	6
„	Marriages	8	11	6
„	Fines	272	14	3
„	Sale of Slaves	39	9	9
„	Bang [*bhang*]	44	6	6
„	Liberty of Letting out Oxen	74	2	
„	Sale of Ground	28	14	
„	Sale of Houses belonging to People run away ...	46	4	3
„	Catwally [*kotwāli*] looking after Houses ...	35	12	6
„	Sale of old Fetters from off the Prisoners Feet	4	15	9
„	Sale of Pad & flax sold growing on spare Ground belonging to the Comp[a]	80	11	
„	Liberty of taking Lodgers	260	8	3
„	Profitt on receiving the different sorts of Rupees	50		
„	Making up Accounts for the Year a Customary duty from the Banians [*banyās*] & petty Shroffs [*ṣarrafs*]	70		
		4,373	8	
	Charges deducted ...	347	12	6
	Rupees ...	4,025	11	6

1377.—ACCOUNT OF THE ESTATES OF THREE DECEASED PERSONS.

Thursday, December 24th.

Mr. William Spencer Buxey [*bakhshī*] now brought in the Account of the following deceased Persons Estates the Ballance of which was this day paid into the Hon[ble] Companys Cash and the Accounts are entred after this Consultation.

		r.	a.	p.
Charles Peck		504	4	
Haycraft		96	2	9
Augustine Moore		234		
	Rupees ...	834	6	9

(1) The Estate of Charles Peck deceas'd.

Dr. *Cr.*

		r.	a.	p
To Mr. Wm. Haskoll for the Roman History		14		
„ his Note payn. to Capt. Crampton for ...	105. 15. 6			
Int. from the 13th Janry. 1718/9 to the 6 June 1719 is 4 mos. 13 days @ 1 pr. ct. pr. men.	4. 3. 9			
		110. 3. 3		
„ the Ballance of Mr. Gammons Accot. ...		39	7	
„ Mr. Spinckes, his respondentia Bond ...	300			
„ 50 pr. ct. advance thereon ...	150			
		450		
„ Mr. John Deane, the Ballance of his Accot.		39	7	6
„ His note payble to Dr. ffrazier ...		18		
„ Do. to Robert Lavers		70		
„ Do. to Mr. John Deane ...		55	8	
„ The Ballance of Capt. Ricketts Account ...		31		
„ Doctor Harvey, his note ...		33		
„ Commission 5 pr. ct. on rs. 1436. 11 ...		71	13	3
		932	7	
„ Ballance paid into the Honble Compas Cash		504	4	
Rupees ...		1,436	11	

	r.	a.	p.
By the amount of his outery account ...	1,118	4	
„ Ballance of Angelo Nachys Account ...	281	3	
„ A Brass Chest ...	21	4	
„ A Pallenkeen ...	16		
Rupees ...	1,436	11	

N.B. Since the Ballance of this Account 504. 4 was paid into the Honble Companys Cash a bond of Mr. Charles Pecks for rupees 290 was produced by Captain Nicholas Row & payment demanded so that the Ballance due to the deceased's Estate remains no more than rupees 214-4.

FORT WILLIAM,
The 24th Dec. 1719.

(2) *The Estate of Thomas Haycraft deceas'd.*

Dr.

	r.	a.	p.
To Cash paid his Funerall charges ...	9		
„ An Outcry Note ...	4	9	
„ What paid Mr. Beavers Note ...	5	12	
„ Cash paid the Cooper	7	4	
„ Commission 5 pr ct. on rupees 129. 3 ...	6	7	3
	33		3
„ Ballance paid into the Honble Companys Cash ...	96	2	9
Rupees ...	129	3	

Cr.

	r.	a.	p.
By Cash received his Wages for the month of August ...	20		
„ his Outcry Account	109	3	
Rupees ...	129	3	

CALCUTTA,
The 24th Decemr 1719.

(3) *The Estate of Augustine Moor deceased.*

Dr.

	r.	a.	p.
To Cash paid his Funerall Charges ...	37	7	
„ dc. paid Beavers bill	6	4	
„ dc. paid Elizabeth Bindon her bill ...	31	13	3
„ What paid the Taylor	4	6	9
„ Cash paid Mr William Moor ...	15	6	9
„ dc. paid his Servant	3	4	6
„ dc. paid Mr. Tiplady for two ps Gingham	18	11	3
„ Doctor Colt for Medicines & Attendance ...	40		
„ The Ballance of Capt. Holmes's Account...	34	4	6
„ Commission 5 pr. ct. on Rupees 448 ...	22	6	3
	214		3
„ Ballance paid into the Honble Companys Cash ...	234		
Rupees ...	448		3

Cr.

	r.	a.	p.
By Cash received from Mr Collinson	51	1	
To The Produce of a shoe of gold pz 30 sicc. 6a. at 10r. 6a. per Sicca, wt. ...	315	2	3
„ the amount of his Outcry ...	81	13	
Rupees ...	448		3

1378.—ANSWER OF BROWNE AND BARKER TO THE DEMAND OF THE COMPANY'S DUES.

Thursday, December 24th.

Mr. John Eyre Secritary having been with Messrs. Samuell Browne & Hugh Barker & demanding the Sum of Seven thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty Rupees Fourteen anaes Six pyce, according to order of Consultation the 21st Instant reports Mr. Samuell Browne answered he had nothing but his House & Furniture which he had given the President an Account off & that we might Sell them if we pleased, Mr. Barker answered he was ready to pay his half.

ORDERD that the Accountant debitt their Account jointly for the said Sum.

1379.—THE EFFECTS OF BROWNE AND BARKER TO BE SEIZED AND SOLD.

December 24th.

When Messrs. Browne & Barker left Patna they were largely indebted to Severall Merchants there which they not being able to Clear Messrs. Stephenson and Falconer were obliged to take their Seperate notes at Interest for the amount as follows, Vizt.

Mr. Samuell Brownes Note for Patna Rupees	...	30607-2-3
Mr. Hugh Barkers Do. for Do.	...	20828-3-6
Rupees	...	51435-5-9

both which they have sent downe to our President & Mr. James Williamson to whom they were made payable on demand. The said bills are now laid before us and payment required in order to clear those Gentlemens debts which are standing out against them in Patna.

The President also produced a Letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson & Robert Falconer dated the 9th November to himself & Mr. James Williamson advising that towards paying the aforesaid Notes they had only left in Patna as followeth, Vizt.

Mr. Brownes goods to the Amount of about	...	7000
Mr. Barkers Do.	...	5000
Salt Petre sold 4034mds. 17sr. at 3rs. per md.		12103-4-6
Paid Salt Petre Assamys [*asāmis*] on Do. Account		2275
For their Salt Petre Teeps [*tīps*] ...	...	8000
Captain Borlaces Goods ...	...	800
Patna Rupees	...	35178-4-6

The aforesaid Sum being deducted from Rupees fifty one thousand four hundred Thirty five, five anaes, nine pyce, there

remains due rupees Sixteen thousand Two hundred fifty seven one anae three pyce of which Mr. Samuell Browne is to pay twelve Thousand Eighteen rupees & Mr. Hugh Barker Four thousand Two hundred Thirty nine Rupees, one anae three pyce besides the difference of Batta & the daily growing Interest of twelve pr. ct. per Annum.

Taking into Consideration the most proper and speediest measures to reimburse our Honble Masters, as likewise to clear their Accounts according to the Honble Court of Directors Orders & Instructions in Cases of this nature,

AGREED That we againe make demand for the discharging of these debts & upon their nonpayment that Messrs. William Spencer & Waterworth Collett do goe & acquaint them with this our order that they deliver them an exact Account of all their Effects whatsoever and that what Valuable things they are possess'd with be deliverd into the Charge of the Governour in order to make a publick sale of them with the House & all the Furniture whatever belonging to them.

1380.—BROWNE'S HOUSE AND EFFECTS TO BE SOLD.

Saturday, December 26th.

According to order of last Consultation Messrs. William Spencer & Waterworth Collett demanded an exact Account of Mr. Samuell Browne of all his Effects he is possessed off that publick Sale might be made of the same, in order to discharge his Debts due to our Honble Masters as likewise the Bond Standing out against him for what due to sundry Merchants at Patna, they have now deliver'd in a List receiv'd from him of Jewells Plate &ca Furniture in his house which is anext to this Consultation.

ORDER'D That Mr. William Spencer Buxey [*bakhshī*] do give publick Notice by Bills on the Fort Gate as Customary that the same is to be sold at Publick Outcry on Saturday next the second of January 1719-20.

An Inventory of goods in Mr. Brownes House, Viz.

2 Large Jappan Escrutores old
A Plate Case
4 Small Stands
10 Gilt China
6 China pictures
3 English Do.
A bed

10 China pictures
2 English Do.
1 Card table
1 Tea Do.
6 Stoals
2 Stands
7 Metzo Tincto pictures
2 Flower Peices
2 Pictures
3 Land Skips
6 China Pictures
1 Jappan Table
1 Patna Cot
1 Chest of Draws
1 Teak Table
1 English Couch
3 Guns
12 Brass Sconces
2 Fruit Peices
17 Prints
7 China Pictures
1 Pr. Cullaces,[1] Sylver
2 Gold Watches
1 Pr. Candlesticks Silver
1 Lamp do.
1 Boyler do.
2 Neck Coassers[2] do.
6 Spoons do.
1 Ladle do.
1 Saucepan do.
4 Tables
7 China Pictures large
44 Chairs
2 Couches
A Pallankeen Silver ffurniture
A four Wheel Chaise
A diamond ring, Briliant

1351.—WILLIAM HALL'S VESSEL TO BE BOUGHT.

Tuesday, 29th December.

Severall of the Channells in this river being grown so shoul [shallow] that the Honble Companys Ships are obliged to go to Coxes before they are half laden & it being very hazardous to send bales of fine goods thither in Country

[1] Perhaps *kalas*, in the sense of pitcher, water-pot, or jar.

[2] Neck *kūzahs*. A *kūzah* is a long-necked water-bottle or gugglet.

boates obliges us to freight what Sloops we can get to load them but not being Sufficient Number in the place and here being a very good Teak Vessell about fifty Tons at Outcry to be sold belonging to Mr. William Hall deceased which our Master of Attendance & Pylots assure us is very proper for the River Service & that She will Certainly come out much Cheaper than its possible for us to build a Sloop.

ORDERED Therefore that Mr. William Spencer Buxey [*bakhshi*] bid for her & buy her provided She does not exceed the price of Three Thousand Rupees.

1382.—GREENHILL REPORTS THE LOSS OF TWO BOATS AT SEA.

Tuesday, December 29th.[1]

Mr. Samuell Greenhill being returnd from Coxes acquaints us that he dispatcht Ship *King William* the 24th Instant but on the 23rd at Night the Wind blew so excessive hard that two of the Honble Companys boates were obliged to cut away from the Ship one of which being empty Sunk immediately and the other drove out to Sea with all her ladeing in.

1383.—TWO MORE BOATS LOST IN ROGUE'S RIVER.

Thursday, December 31st.

Captain John Hill Commander of Ship *Cadogan* brought us a Letter dated the 30th which he just now received from on board ship at Rogues River, wherein his Mate Mr. William Pricklove advises of two boats of Bales being arrived, the Past night and went into that River where comeing to anchor one of them in the night bilged on her own Anchor & the Boat sunk down On which the Soldier which was in the boat went on board Ship for help but when the mate got to the wreck nothing was to be seen of her, but he spoke to the Jemindar [*zamīndār*] & gott Peons & People all along the Shore to secure any bales which might drive ashore, in the morning he went about with the Yawl & took up three bales and one Chest & made a rope fast to eight or Ten more.

Richard Eyre to go to Rogues River.

This being an imperfect Account—

AGREED That we immediately dispatch Mr. Richard Eyre the Export Warehousekeepers Assistant with a Serjeant & six Soldiers down to Rogues River to enquire into the truth of this Accident

[1] The moon was new on December 30.

& see what can be saved before they are plundered by the Country People.

NOTES ON THE PROCEEDINGS OF 1719.

Memorandums from the Bay Pacquetts pr *Frederick Bouverie* and *Cadogan*.[1]

In Muster Rolls of Soldiers it appears—Captain Hunt &ca had 35 Rs. a month in January but in February & following month he had pay as Major Rs. 65.

Mr. Hangers Covenants. N.B. To put them up.

List of stores from the Bay sent on the *George* Briga. to Fort St. George for the West coast. N.B. Therein deducted 1-11 from the Factory Maund to make it a Buzar Maund, 110 factory Maunds make but 100 Buzar Maunds of oyl.

Account of the Rise and fall of Revenues for 3 years past.—Qu. where is it?

Account Woollen Manufactures remainig in Warehouse.—Qu. Committee &c fear must mistake.

List of Pylots Seamen & Masters belonging to the River in monthly pay Rs. 678 a month—not attested or dated.

List of Ships belonging to the English importing or exporting the Bay—no account of what year nor attested or dated.

Doctors list of the deceased,—This right, naming persons, distempers, times.

Church register of burials not Signed—nor of marriages or births. Indent Stationary ware.—Qu. what don in it—complains of most of the Paper used this year particularly the Book paper sinks very much & the quills all very bad.

Account Dadney [*dādnī*] goods most brought in—remaining—Nobody signs this. Account goods received in Barter for Lead & woollen goods—no body signs this no account at what price sold Europe goods or at what price took India nor which goods delivered in barter for which.

Memorandums from Bengall Packets received 1719.
By the *Mary*.

Muster Roll of Souldiers for the month October Signed by the Buxie [*bakhshi*] as mustered & paid—Hunts right—Dallibars Do—dont make too many Sargeants & Corporalls. Severall Portugueez seem to be among the European Soldiery at the pay of 10 Rs. a month—when the other Portugueez are at 5.

List of European Inhabitants at Calcutta—pretty right—better to put the Pylotts & Officers &ca of the Companys Sloops by themselves—& other Seafaring men belonging to trading Ships—as officers—Supra Cargo's by themselves naming each Sort—Severall of the Pylots not named—nor the Carpenter or Master Attendant &c.

[1] These relate to the year 1719, and are found in *Correspondence Memoranda*, Vol. 6, in the India Office.

Reasons for returning back with the *Mary* Buoyer when sent for Madrass being so leaky—why did not the Master Attendant Survey her better?

By the *Addison*.

In the account of Remains in the Import Warehouse are severall parcells of yards of Woollen goods and Silk Stuffs—Qu. if not better sell them at Outcry—also 36729 Maunds Lump Glass—Qu. why should Captain Tolson sell his and not We ours—Also 1328 yards Embos'd Cloth in Carpets—Qu. Why not get off? Also 1775 maunds Red Lead—Qu. Why not sold? Or if will not sell at other Markets.

BENGAL PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS.

From the 31st December, 1719, to the 19th December, 1720.

1384.—DESPATCH OF THE *DAWSONNE*.

All Papers being prepared for the dispatch of Ship *Dawsonne* Capt. Richard Benfeild Commander,

Thursday, December 31st, 1719. AGREED that they be sign'd and the Packett for England and Madrass made up.

ORDERD That Mr. Samuell Greenhill goe down to Coxes and deliver the Captain his dispatches.

Saturday, January 9th, 1720. Mr. Samuell Greenhill being returned from Coxes acquaints us that he dispatched Ship *Dawsonne* the 4th Inst.

1385.—NEWS OF THE BOAT THAT DROVE OUT TO SEA.

The Boat which drove to sea that was cut away from the Ship *King William* which was mention'd in Consultation of the 29th Ultimo now returned with her loading.

Saturday, January 9th, 1720.

1386.—CRISP TAKEN INTO THE COUNCIL, BUT TO CONTINUE AT CASSIMBAZAR FOR THE PRESENT.[1]

Mr. Samuell Browne being dismissed the Honble Companys Service occasions a Vacancy at this Board and Mr. Michael Cotesworth being next in succession but as yet being in no ways Capacitated to take the Charge of any Office upon him,

January 9th.

AGREED That Mr. Edward Crisp who is second of Cossimbuzar and next in Succession be appointed Seventh and last of this Councill from this day, but that he Continue at Cossimbuzar till the Books of that Factory are ballanced & sent down & adjusted with ours here before which we can make no remove of Offices at this Board.

[1] The supersession of Cotesworth by Crisp was reversed by the Court of Directors.

1387.—REPORT OF THE DAMAGED BALES RECOVERED FROM SUNKEN BOATS.

Tuesday, January 12th.

Mr. Richard Eyre being return'd from Rogues River[1] with what bales & goods he could get from the sunken Boates that was sent down on board Ship *Cadogan*, Mr. James Williamson Exportwarehousekeeper now brought in a particular account of what lost and damaged.

ORDERD That as soon as the goods are washt Clear of the salt Water, that the Broker send each sort to their proper Aurung [*aurang*] & try if possible the Damage can be so repaired as to make them fitt for a Europe Markett.

1388.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR NOVEMBER, 1719.[2]

Tuesday, January 12th.

Abstract of Major Richard Hunts Company for November 1719.

			r.
1	Major	...	65
1	Lieutenant	...	35
1	Ensign	...	24
1	Master of Arms	...	20
1	Serjeant Major	...	20
1	Marshall	...	20
10	Serjeants	...	200
10	Corporalls	...	130
1	Drum Major	...	20
5	Drummers	...	59
100	Europeans	...	1000
3	Rounders	...	18
44	Portugueze	...	220
179	Rupees	...	1831

On Command at Cossimbuzar

5	Europeans	
2	Portugueze	
186	Men	

Abstract of Captain Dallibars Company for November 1719.

			r.
2	Lieutenants	...	70
1	Ensign	...	24
8	Serjeants	...	160
8	Corporalls	...	104
4	Drummers	...	46
100	Europeans	...	1000
3	Rounders	...	18
10	Portugueze	...	50
136	Rupees	...	1472

Men discharged

1	Serjeant	...	20
1	Corporall	...	13
1	Drummer	...	7
10	Europeans	...	100
13	Portugueze	...	65
26	Rupees	...	1677

On Command at Cossimbuzar

1	Drummer	
8	Europeans	
7	Portugueze	
16		
178	Men	

[1] Often mentioned in the records of this time, one of the Sunderbunds channels joining the lower Hugli river about 12 leagues above Saugor.

[2] See those for October, § 1358 above.

1389.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR DECEMBER, 1719.

Tuesday, January 12th.

Abstract of Major Richard Hunts Company for December 1719.

1	Major	...	65
1	Lieutenant	...	35
1	Ensign	...	24
1	Master of Arms	...	20
1	Serjeant Major	...	20
1	Marshall	...	20
10	Serjeants	...	200
10	Corporalls	...	130
1	Drum Major	...	20
5	Drummers	...	59
107	Europeans	...	1070
3	Rounders	...	18
36	Portugueze	...	180
	Rupees	...	1861
7	At Cossimbuzar.		
185	Men.		

Abstract of Capt. Henry Dallibars Company for December 1719.

2	Lieutenants	...	70
1	Ensign	...	24
8	Serjeants	...	160
8	Corporalls	...	104
4	Drummers	...	46
92	Europeans	...	920
3	Rounders	...	18
10	Portugueze	...	50
128			
	Rupees	...	1392

On Command at Cossimbuzar

1	Drummer
8	Europeans
7	Portugueze
16	
144	Men

1390.—MR. CRISP TO TAKE HIS PLACE IN COUNCIL.

Thursday, January 14th.

Just now receivd a Letter from Mr. John Deane &c^{a}. at Cossimbuzar dated the 11th Inclosing an Invoice of Sundry Goods. There still remains some Gurrahs [*gāṛhās*] & Doosutties [*dusūtis*] which they hourly Expect in when will prize & dispatch them down to us.

Mr. Crisp having Sometime agoe liberty from this board to come to Calcutta for a few days and the business for this Season at Cossimbuzar being over he has taken this Opportunity of bringing down these boates & is now arrivd us, Wherefore

AGREED According to Consultation of the 9th Instant that he take his place as Seventh & last of Councill but to return to Cossimbuzar as soon as he has dispatch'd his business in order to ballance the Books of that Factory for the year 1719 and then to take Charge of his Post at this Board.

1391.—IMPORT WAREHOUSEKEEPER'S ACCOUNT FOR DECEMBER.

Tuesday, January 14th.

Mr. William Spencer Importwarehousekeeper now brought in his Account of what Goods Sold out of that Warehouse in the month of December amounting to Eleven hundred Twenty Rupees Seven anaes Six pyce, Particulars Vizt.

		yds. n.						
Broad Cloth fine by retale	...	51	1				328	6 3
Velvets and Silks, Velvets	...	5	2	46	1	9	102	2 6
Silks	...	4	15½	56	0	9		
md. s ch								
White Lead 44 5 8	...					...	441	6
Druggetts by Retale Silk	...	16	8			...	29	8 6
Broadcloth Ordinary by Retale	...	15				...	33	12
Broadcloth Aurora by Retale	...	37	4			...	132	14
lbs oz								
Flint Ware 6 8	...					...	6	8
Goods bought of the Old Company								
Red Lead 10sr ...	...					...	5	
Goods bought of the New Company								
lbs. oz								
Flint Ware 11 7 ...	...					...	9	10 6
Perpetuannoes fine by retale	...	6				...	6	3
Perpetuannoes ordinary by retale	...	8				...	6	4
Worsted Camblets by retale	...	8	4			...	12	14 3
Callimancoes fine by retale	...	5	4			...	5	14 6
				Rupees		...	1120	7 6

ORDERED That it pass Errors Excepted and be delivered the Accountant the amount being paid into Cash.

1392.—CAPTAIN HILL'S REQUEST TO LADE PEPPER ON BOARD THE *CADOGAN*.

Tuesday, January 14th.

To the Honble SAMUELL FEAKE Esqr. &c^{a}.

Honble Sirs,

Having informed some of my Friends that my designe was to request Your Honours that I might have Pepper shipt on board the *Cadogan* to Shoot in amongst the bales, I was answered it would be in vain the market Price being much more than your Honours orders were from the Court of Directors to give, whereupon with much Difficulty I purchased One Thousand Six Hundred twenty two Maunds of Pepper, I humbly desire your Honours to permitt me to Ship it on board the *Cadogan*, and that I might Shoot it amongst the bales which will take up no Stowage & make the Ship much more fitt to endure the Sea, & I hereby oblige myself that upon the *Cadogan's* arrivall in England,

that the Honble Company shall have the acceptance of it if they please paying the prime Cost which is two thousand four hundred Thirty three Pounds Sterling an Invoice of which I promise to deliver the Court of Directors upon Oath if required together with the same freight to the Owners as Pepper Ship'd off at Madrass upon request and Respondentia which is Twenty five per Cent payable Six months after the arrivall of the aforesaid Ship and five per Cent upon the Gross Sale to me as Commission & in Consideration of the Hazard I run in advancing the Said Sum and desire that this request may pass for a register of the aforesaid Pepper and I hope as by precedents heretofore the Company will be considerable gainers thereby, with due Submission I beg leave to subscribe my Self,

Honble Sirs,

Your most obedient Humble Servant,

JOHN HILL

Jan^ry^ the 14th 1719-20.

Answer to the above letter.

To CAPTAIN JOHN HILL Commander of Ship *Cadogan*.

We last Night receiv'd your Request for shooting Pepper amongst your Bales, the Honble Court of Directors have Expressly orderd that when such a Case as yours now is does happen that we acquaint you that whatever Pepper is so ship'd, you are to receive but half ffreight as Pepper sent from Madrass, & we cant permitt your carrying it home on any other terms, we now register your Paper wherein our Honble Masters are to have the refusall of all your Pepper so laden & shall forward the same to them by your Ship *Cadogan*.

We are

Your Friends & Humble Servants,

SAMUELL FEAKE & Councill

Jan^ry^ the 15th 1719-20.

1393.—MR. BARKER PERMITTED TO GO TO ENGLAND.

Tuesday, January 19th.

Mr. Hugh Barker now paid into the Honble Companys Cash the Sum of Three Thousand Nine Hundred & thirty Rupees Seven anaes three pyce being his proportion of what Charged Mr. Samuell Browne and himself in Consultation of the 24th Ult^o^ and being now desireous to return to England on Ship *Cadogan*.

AGREED We Permitt him he having left with the President & Mr. Williamson for Security of his Patna Ballance which as per Consultation of the 24th is calculated to remain Current Rupees of

Patna Four Thousand Two hundred thirty Nine, one anae three pyce the following adventures Vizt.

Adventure under Mr. Redshaws Stock from Bombay to Judda	1,627	8	
Do. Do. in the *Shawallums* Stock ...	890	4	
Do. Do. in the *Falconbridge's* now at Madrass	689		
Tincall[1] now sent to Madrass	593	12	6
Ballance of Mr. Turton's Account Supposed to be ...	500		
Remains of his Concern in the *Sarah* Galley ...	300	1	10
Rupees ...	4600	10	4

1394.—CAPTAIN WOTTON'S EXPLANATION OF THE INCREASED NUMBER OF FOREIGNERS ON HIS SHIP.

Wednesday, January 20th.

To the Honble Samuell Feake Esqr. &ca.
Honble Sir &ca. Sirs

I Take leave to beg the favour of your Honble &ca. to inform our Honble Masters that by Desertion & Mortality this Voyage, I have been necessitated to entertain more foreigners in the Service of the Ship for our Voyage Home than is allow'd by the Act of Navigation, that they may take Care Seasonably to prevent any ill Consequencies that may attend the Same, your Honour &ca. well knows the Loss of our Passage to Persia occasion[ed] our Ships stay in India a Year longer than is usuall for any of Our Honble Masters Ships, I am with all respect

Honble Sir &ca. Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servant
Thomas Wotton.

Calcutta,
Janry 19th 1719-20.

1395.—ACCOUNT OF PRIVATE GOODS SHIPT ON BOARD CAPTAIN WOTTON'S SHIP FOR ENGLAND.

January 20th.		ps.		
Seerbunds [*sirbands*]	912	...	2538	
Mulmulls [*malmals*]	1227	...	20474	7
Tanjebs [*tanjebs* or *tanzebs*]	75	...	535	
Quilts Sticht	20	...	325	8
Cossaes [*khāṣas*]	36	...	420	5
Hummums[2] Sticht	19	...	665	
Sannoes [*sanahs*] Do.	36	...	975	
Aprons	93	...	613	12
Jamdannys [*jāmdānis*]	35	...	490	
Carried over ...			27037	

[1] That is *tinkār*, borax.

[2] Hummum probably stands for *ḥammām kī luṅgi*, a bath sheet.

	Brought over			...	27037	
			pr.			
Allaballees [*alvānis*]	...	...	652	...	8731	5
Romalls [*rūmāls*]	...	...	100	...	700	
Neckcloths	...	...	100	...	230	
Sticht Handkerchiefs	...	...	290	...	203	6
Patna Chints	...	...	13	...	39	
Shalbafts [*shālbafts*]	...	...	6	...	36	
Silk Romalls [*rūmāls*]	...	...	100	...	650	
Seersuckers	...	...	7	...	87	8
8 Tubs q^{ts} 4 Pecoll of Green Tea		...		...	360	
			Rupees	...	38074	3

1396.—DESPATCH OF THE *BOUVERIE* AND *CADOGAN*.

Thursday, January 21st.[1] All Papers being prepared for the dispatch of Ships *Bouverie* and *Cadogan*.

AGREED That their Packetts be made up Seperately and That Mr. William Spencer goe down to Coxes and dispatch the *Bouvery* and Mr. John Eyre the *Cadogan* from thence.

Monday, February 1st. Mr. William Spencer being returnd from Coxes acquaints us that he dispatcht the *Bouverie* from thence the 25th Ultimo She being fully laden and haveing returned Thirty five Bales.

1397.—JOHN CASSELLS, PILOT, RETURNED FROM SHIP *BOUVERIE*.

Monday, February 1st. John Cassells Pylot returned from carrying out the *Bouverie* acquaints us that he left her the 28th Ult^{o}. in twelve fathom Water the Wind at South West, the *Cadogan* being in Company with her.

1398.—ZAMĪNDĀRĪ ACCOUNT FOR NOVEMBER, 1719.

February 1st. Mr. Waterworth Collett Jemindar [*samīndār*] now brought in the Account of Revennues for the month of November the Gross amount whereof is Two Thousand Nine hundred thirty Eight Rupees, twelve anaes, three pyce.

ORDERD That it pass Errors Excepted & be deliver'd the Accountant, the Ballance Two Thousand six hundred and one Rupees Eight anaes Six pyce being paid into Cash.

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[1] On January 28 there was an annular eclipse of the sun, the magnitude being about six and a half digits.

1399.—CHARGES GENERAL FOR DECEMBER 1719.

Monday, February 1st. The Charges Generall for the Month of December having lain from the 16th Ultimo for perusall & being Carefully examined amounting to Twenty four Thousand & Nineteen Rupees, Eight anaes Nine pyce, particulars Vizt.

To Charges Generall				928	5 9
„ Do. Dyett				1221	1 6
„ Do. Repairations				251	1
„ Pylots Wages & Seamen in monthly pay ...				753	
„ Charges Cattle				240	10
„ Military Vizt. Officers & Soldiers pay Month Decemr. ...	3488				
Gunners & Gunroom Crew Do. ...	559	5	3		
Repairations & Petty Charges ...	69	4			
				4116	9 3
Charges Budgerows & Boats				225	11 9
London Sloop				15	7 6
Charles Do.				46	11 9
Halls Brigantine				37	5 6
Petty Stores				160	1 9
Servants Wages in monthly pay				868	12
Charges Oxen				30	9 3
Do. Hogs				37	10 6
Do. Merchandize				3632	1 9
Do. Durbar [*darbār*]				55	8
Ship *Metchlapatam*				3247	3 6
Madrass Presidency				4392	5 9
St. Hellena Factory				1956	12 3
Charges Gunpowder for Store				1802	8
Rupees ...				24019	8 9

1400.—LIST OF SAMUELL SCARSBROCKS'S EFFECTS.

The same to be sold at Publick Outcry.

Monday, February 1st. Captain Marmaduke Crampton now brought in a List of the Effects of Samuell Scarsbrocks who dyed intestate on board his Ship *Mary Ann* Galley at Mallacca.

List of Effects.

Rix Dollars	...	...	67 5 1
Tin Vess [?]	...	202½	
White Shirts	...	47	
Waistcoats	...	3	
Breeches	...	4	
Gold Ring	...	1	
Escrutore with papers		... 1	
A Chest with Books &c^{a}.			

ORDERD That M^{r}. William Spencer Buxey [*bakhshī*] receive the Effects & Sell them at Publick Outcry and pay the amount into the Companys Cash.

1401.—RĀJMAḤAL PEON'S WAGES PAID.

February 1st.

Morelly [Murlī] the Peon whom we are obliged to keep at Rajamall [Rājmaḥal] to maintain the Companys title & possession to their house requesting us to pay his Wages which is due from the 1 January 1718-19 to this day being thirteen Months which at two Rupees, Eight Anaes per Month amounts to Thirty two Rupees.

AGREED The President pay the Same.

1402.—SIX CHESTS OF SILVER AND TWO CHESTS OF MADRAS RUPEES SENT TO CASSIMBAZAR.

Monday, February 1st.

Upon reperusing the Generall Letters receivd from Cossimbuzar this last month we find they are pressing for Money to discharge what they are indebted to the Merchants & to Commence their new Investment the Dutch having already given out Dadney [*dādnī*] for Silk.

AGREED That we now send them six Chests of Bullion and two Chests of Madrass Rupees in three Boats under the Charge of Serjeant Willington & Eight Soldiers this being the only time to Secure the November bund [*band*] [1] silk & to give out Dadney [*dādnī*] so as to have their peice goods not only wove of the Best Silk but brought in early in the Season.

AGREED We now order but one hundred Bales of Silk having for these two Years last been obliged to send more than orderd from England by our Contracting before the Ships arrivall, Peice Goods not being to be had if not timely bespoke.

[1] *Band*, that is contract, here it comes to mean crop. There were three *bands*, or crops of silk at Cassimbazar, in November, March, and July. The July silk was coarse. See *English in Bengal*, I, 397. Possibly *band* is only a contraction of the common word *band-o-bast*, a settlement, an arrangement.

1403.—GRATUITY TO RICHARD HARVEY FOR SERVICES AS CHAPLAIN. ARRIVAL OF MR. THOMLINSON.

Monday, February 1st.[1]

Mr. Richard Harvey having for upwards of twelve months officiated in the Church Service since the Death of Mr. Briercliff, and Mr. Joshua Thomlinson[2] being now arrivd in a Dutch ship from Batavia, who is ordered by the Honble Court of Directors, Chaplain for this place.

AGREED The Governour present Mr. Harvey, Four Hundred Rupees Siccae, being the Usuall Gratuity allowed by the Company to their Chaplain over and above their Stated Sallary and allowances.

1404.—GROUND RENT FOR GOVINDPUR.[3]

Tuesday, February 9th.

Ramchund [Rāmchand] Crowree [*karoṛī*] demanding Thirty Rupees Sicca for Four Months Ground Rent due in December for the part of Govinpore [Govindpur] in the Purgunna [*parganā*] of Calcutta in Jaffercauns [Ja'far Khān's] Jageer [*jāgīr*].

AGREED The President pay him Thirty Madrass Rupees.

1405.—STOREKEEPER'S ACCOUNT FOR JANUARY 1720.

Tuesday, February 9th.

Mr. Waterworth Collett Storekeeper now brought in his account of Stores sold out of that Warehouse in the Month of January amounting to Thirteen hundred Eighty Seven Rupees, Fifteen anaes, particulars Vizt.

	cwt.	lbs.						
Iron Europe ...	9	20	at 9 rs. per cwt.	...	...	82	9	9
Iron Mongers Ware								
Pad Locks			... 18 ps.	...	14 14			
Splinter do.			... 32	...	22 2			
Stock do.			... 3	...	6 12			
Rim do.			... 2	...	5			
Brass Knob do.			... 1	...	4			
Hammers			... 3	...	3			
Hand Vice			... 5	...	6			
Iron Wier & a Grindstone			... ...	...	8			
						69	12	
			Carried over		...	152	5	9

[1] February 2 was Śrī Panchami.

[2] See p. 234 further on.

[3] The payment was due on December 1, 1719. For the rent of 1720 see note to § 1416 below.

				Brought over		...	152	5	9
Navall Stores									
Glass Lanthorns	...	2	...	...	10	14			
Tinn d°.	...	7	...	...	26				
Brass Box Compasses	...	2	...	...	20				
Wooden d°.	...	2	...	...	10				
							66	14	
Goods brought of the Old Company									
	cwt.	qr.	lbs.						
Anchor 1 p^{s}. pz.	4	2	21 at 15 rs. per cwt.	...		...	70	5	
Iron Ordinance									
	cwt.	qr.	lbs.						
Guns 27 p^{s}. pz.	109	3	10 at 10 rs. per cwt.	...		...	1098	6	3
				Rupees		...	1387	15	0

ORDERD That it pass Errors excepted & be deliver'd the Accountant, the amount being paid into Cash.

1406.—WILL OF JOHN TESHMAKER.

Tuesday, February 9th.

Mr. Waterworth Collett Attorney to Captain Alexander Dalgleish now brought in the last Will & Testament of John Teshmaker deceased which being proved.

ORDERD That the Will with the Probatt be entred after this Consultation.

Copy of John Teshmaker's Will.

In the Name of God Amen, I John Teshmaker mariner of Calcutta Bengale, considering the uncertainty of this transitory life, do make and declare these presents to containe my last will and Testament (that is to say) I bequeath my Soule to God that gave it me, and comitte my body to the Earth. In primis To my father John Teshmaker merchant in London I do bequeath half my Estate in money and goods thats left after all my Just debts are pay'd, the other half to my Eldest Sister Isobell Teshmaker, and in case of either of their deaths to the Surviver and in case of both (which God forbid) to the next Heir.

Item if any legacie or Estate Should be left me any where by any of my Relations or freinds that it Shall be disposed off as above wryten. I do nominate and Appointe Alexander Dalgleish to adveisse Mr. Bynion and to Send this Will to him and here in Bengale to be my Minister and

executor of this my last will and Testament, In Wittness therof I have hereunto Sett my hand and seale in Calcutta this 10th Day of January 1719-20.

JOHN RALPH TESHMAKER (Seal.)

Sign'd and Sealed in the presence of us where no Stampt paper is to be had.

THOS. HAWKES.
RICHD. WALLIS.
SAMLL. SIMPSON.

Declaration of Witnesses.

Richard Wallis and Samuell Simpson, two of the Witnesses to this last will and Testament of John Ralph Teshmaker deceased appeared before us the President & Councill in Bengall for Affairs of the Honble the United Company of Merchants of England tradeing to the East Indies at their Factory in Fort William the ninth day of February 1719-20 and being Sworn on the Holy Evangelists declare upon oath that they Saw the Testator John Ralph Teshmaker signe Seal and declare this to be his last Will and Testament and that he was then in his perfect Senses, tho' very Sick and Weak, they also depose that they saw each other signe as Witnesses. The other Witness Thomas Hawkes being gone on a Voyage to the Mallabar Coast could not now appear.

1407.—NEW PRESIDENT AT MADRAS. LOSS OF THE *VANSITTART*.

Thursday, February 18th.

Yesterday received a Generall Letter from the Honble Governeour & Councill of Fort St George dated the 26th of January wherein they advise of their Late President Joseph Collett Esqr. Embarqued on the *King William* who saild the 18th January with the *Princess Emelia* for Great Brittain & that Francis Hastings Esqr. Succeeded in that Government as President, they further advise us of our Honble Masters Ship the *Vansittart* was unfortunately lost on the Isle of May running ashore upon the Rocks with all Sail Standing, Captain Hyde Saved Six Chests of the Honble Companys Treasure and carried them on a Ship which touch'd there bound home, this unwelcome peice of news came by the

Hannover who touch'd at Anjango the 11 November. The Reverend Mr. Thomas Windey who came out on the *Vansittart* took his Passage on a Dean's Ship from St Jagoe & is lately arriv'd there.

They now write for the Small Iron Guns that came hither on the *Cadogan* but was design'd for their Presidency, wherefore

AGREED They be Sent by the first Conveyance to their Port.

1408.—DESPATCH OF THE *CADOGAN*.

Thursday, February 18th.

The 13th Instant Mr. John Eyre returned from the Ship *Cadogan* who acquaints us he dispatchd her the 25th Ulto. from Coxes, & that She took in all her Cargoe & for the Benefitt of the Sea Air he went out with the Ships & from thence proceeded to Ballasore in the *Cossimbuzar* Sloop & now deliver'd in the following Papers.—

1 Bill of ladeing for goods shipt on board for Europe

1 Seperate Bill of ladeing for Salt Petre requested above Charter party proportion.

2 Bills of ladeing for Stores Shipt on board for St Hellena.

List of Ships Company.

2 Receipts for the Packett & Box of Books.

1409.—ENSIGN GAMMON TO BE SENT AGAINST THE ROBBERS IN THE SUNDARBANS.

Wednesday, March 9th.[1]

There being daily Complaints from the Inhabitants of the Towns that Severall Robbers have lodged themselves in the Woods up and down the Small Rivers between this place & Chittigaun who Stop all Boats comeing with Grain & have no regard to our Dusticks [*dastaks*] but extort Sums of money from them for their releasement, & there now being Severall Boates Stoppd and the Proprietors being willing to pay all Charges we allowing them Soldiers to clear them.

AGREED We send Ensigne Gammon with Four and twenty men under his Command to suppress and if possible Apprehend these Straglers before they disperse themselves, and what they can meet to bind & bring Prisoners in order to deliver them to Justice before they gather to a head.

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[1] The moon was new on February 27. March 2 was Ash Wednesday.

1410.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR FEBRUARY, 1720.[1]

Monday, March 14th

Abstract of Major Richard Hunts Compª for February 1719-20.

1 Major	...	65
1 Lieutenant [2]	...	35
1 Ensigne [3]	...	24
1 Master of Arms [4]	...	20
1 Serjeant Major [5]	...	20
1 Marshall	...	20
8 Serjeants	...	160
8 Corporalls	...	104
1 Drum Major	...	20
5 Drummers	...	59
84 Europeans	...	840
8 Rounders	...	18
38 Portugueze	...	194
Rupees	...	1579

On Command at Cossimbuzar.

14 Soldiers

167 Men

Abstract of Captain Henry Dallibars Compª for February 1719-20.

2 Lieutenants [6]	...	70
1 Ensigne [7]	...	24
7 Serjeants	...	140
7 Corporalls	...	91
4 Drummers	...	46
2 Govrs. Guard	...	20
79 Europeans	...	790
4 Men Descharged	...	20
3 Rounders	...	18
10 Portugueze	...	50
Rupees	...	1269

On Command at Cossimbuzar

2 Corporalls
1 Drummer
10 Europeans
7 Portugueze

139 Men

1411.—ABOUT THE PATNA INVESTMENT IN SALTPETRE AND CLOTH.

Thursday, March 17th.

This morning receiv'd a Generall Letter from Messrs. Stephenson & Falconer from Chuprah dated the 22nd Ultimo wherein they acknowledge the receipt of the List of Goods to be provided by them & that they Shall endeavour to

[1] Compare those for November and December, 1719, §§ 1388, 1389 above.
[2] Capt. Nicholas Rowe.
[3] Ensign John Gulielmus.
[4] John Windham.
[5] Ewout Glandorp.
[6] Capts. Henry Dallib and Georgᵉ Borlase.
[7] Ensign Theo. Gammon

procure what orderd, but are apprehensive of meeting with some difficulty in Getting such a Quantity of Salt Petre they have already got Teeps [*tips*] from the Assamys [*asāmis*] there and at Singia [Singhiya] for Twenty five Thousand Maunds, tho' the Great Rains which have fallen with them have destroyd abundance of Petre. All the Green Cloth they have disposed off at 3rs. 6as. per yard, and are in hopes of getting off the red in a little time they are offer'd Thirty five Rupees per peice for some fine Perpetuanoes but the Callimancoes & Imbost Broad Cloth no one enquires after, as soon as they have agreed with the Rest of the Petre Assamys [*asāmis*], they will return to Patna and on their arrivall will send a particular Account of all their Contracts.

1412.—ZAMINDARI ACCOUNT FOR JANUARY, 1720.[1]

Thursday, March 24th.

Mr. Waterworth Collett Jemindar [*zamīndār*] now brought in the Account of Revennues for Month of January the Gross amount whereof is three Thousand Five hundred Thirty Seven Rupees, five anaes, Six pyce, particulars, Vizt.

By Ground Rent	1268	6	9
„ Gain on Cowries [*kauṛīs*]	14	10	
„ Duty on Grain	122	1	
„ Mangon [*mangan*]	551	14	9
„ Duty of ½ Seer per Maund for graine Exported per Lascars of foreign Vessells ...	5	1	
„ Moldarry [*māldāri*]	6	3	6
„ Toubuzzarry [*tahbāzāri*]	190	13	9
„ Weighmen	203		9
„ Wood	9	15	
„ Potts	1	2	
„ Caulkers	36	4	6
„ Banians [*banyās*]	8	6	
„ Bramins [*Brahmans*]	2	5	
„ Ferry Boat	7	4	9
„ Cotton Beaters	1	13	3
„ Hogs	1	1	6
„ Butty [*bheṭi*]	135		
„ Laying boates ashore	1	8	
„ Virmillion	22	14	9
„ Conjee [*kānji*]		9	3
Carried over ...	2590	7	6

[1] See explanations at § 1090.

Brought over ...	2590	7	6
By The Markett	271		
„ Delolly of do. [*dallāli*]	2	13	
„ Suba Buzar [Sobhā Bāzār]	72		3
„ Jean Buzar [Jān Bāzār]	25	1	3
„ Begum Bazar [Begam Bāzār]	25	9	3
„ Sale of Houses	98	15	
„ Sallama [*salāmī*] of Potaes [*paṭṭas*] ...	43	2	9
„ Recovering Debts	46	6	
„ Peons Fees	123	12	3
„ Marriages	76	6	6
„ Fines	56	1	9
„ Sale of Slaves	9	14	6
„ Bang [*bhang*]	49	2	3
„ Punnian Sallama [*punyā salāmī*]	45		
„ Sale of Fetters belonging to people cleared out of Prison	1	9	3
	3537	5	6
Charges deducted ...	412	2	3
Rupees ...	3125	3	3

ORDERD That it pass Errors excepted and be deliverd the Accountant, the Ballance Three thousand One hundred and twenty five Rupees three anaes three pyce being paid into Cash.

1413.—SALARIES DUE THE 25TH MARCH, 1720.[1]

Monday, March 28th.[2]

Sallary due to the Servants of the Honble the United Company of Merchants of England tradeing to the East Indies in ffort William from the 29th September 1719 to the 25th March 1720.

	m.	d.	at £ per ann.	r.	a.	p.	r.	a.	p.
The Honble Samll Feake Esqr, President.	6		200	800					
Gratuity	6		100	400			1,200		
Carried over ...							1,200		

[1] Besides the servants of the Company at Fort William whose names occur in this sallary bill, there were at Cassimbazar, John Deane, Edward Crisp, Charles Hampton, Francis Russell, Samuel Fazackerly, George Mandeville, William Haskoll, and Chas. Bedford. Edward Stephenson, Thomas Falconer, and Samuel Harwood were at Patna; Harry Clare, Christopher Birkhead, and Stephen Scott, at Balasor.

[2] The moon was new on March 27, and March 28 was the Mesha *saṅkrānti*, on the first day of the Hindu solar year.

		m.	d.	at	£ per ann.	r.	a.	p.	r.	a.	p.
	Brought over ...								1,200		
	The Worshpl. Jas. Williamson Esq.	6			40				160		0
	Mr. Samll. Browne to 8th December.	2⅔			40				62	8	
	Mr. William Spencer ...	6			40				160		
	Mr. Waterworth Collett ...	6			40				160		
	Mr. John Eyre	6			40				160		
	The Revd. Mr. Josa. Thomlinson from the 23rd of January 1719-20.	2	2		50	68	14	3			
	Gratuity	2	2		50	68	14	3	137	12	6
	Michael Cotesworth Junr. Merchant to the 14th January.	3⅔			30	73	5	3			
	Senr. Merchant from that time	2⅓			40	62	3	9	135	9	
	John Stackhouse Junr. Merchant.	6			30	120					
	Gratuity as Sub Accountant ...	6			40	160			280		
11 Junr. Mercht.s	Edward Ange deceased to the 21st Oct.	22			30				14	10	9
	John Sainsburg Lloyd Junr. Mercht.	6			30				120		
	William Spinks do.	6			30				120		
	Thomas Braddyll do.	6			30				120		
	John Dix do.	6			30				120		
	Hugh Barker do. to 8th Decr.				30				46	10	9
	Humphrey Cole	6			30				120		
	Thomas Phillips	6			30				120		
	Edward Reynolds	6			30				120		
5 Factors	Baron Jeff ffactor ...	6			15				60		
	Phillip Mitchell do. ...	6			15				60		
	Thomas White do. ...	6			15				60		
	Gabll. Hanger do. ...	6			15				60		
	John Bonkett do. ...	6			15				60		
Doctors	Oliver Coult Doctor ...	6			36				144		
	Richard Harvey do. ...	6			36				144		
19 Writers	Thomas Coates, Writer ...	6			5				20		
	Thomas Cook, do. ...	6			5				20		
	Henry Harnett, do. ...	6			5				20		
	Richard Eyre, do. ...	6			5				20		
	William Tipping, do. ...	6			5				20		
	Mathew Wesley, do. ...	6			5				20		
	John Harris, do. ...	6			5				20		
	Thomas Moore, do. ...	6			5				20		
	Carried over ...								4104	14	6

					r.	a.	p.
				Brought over ...	4104	14	6
		m.	d.	at £ per ann. r. a. p.			
19 Writers	Samuell Greenhill, writer ...	6		5	20		
	Jacob Des Tombe, do. ...	6		5	20		
	John Oldmixon, do. ...	6		5	20		
	Edward Pomfrett, do. ...	6		5	20		
	Soloman Margas, do. ...	6		5	20		
	Robert Turner, do. ...	6		5	20		
	John Forster, do. ...	6		5	20		
	William Davis, do. ...	6		5	20		
	Thomas Unwyn, do. ...	6		5	20		
	Nathaniell Hall, do. ...	6		5	20		
	William Bruce do. ...	6		5	20		
				Sicca rupees	4324	14	6
				Batta [*batta*] 12½ per cent. ...	540	9	9
				Rupees	4865	8	3

AGREED The President pay the Same.

1414.—SALE OF Mrs. SAMUEL BROWNE'S EFFECTS.

Monday, March 28th.

Mr. William Spencer Buxey [*bakhshī*] now deliverd in the Account of goods & Effects sold at publick Outcry the 2nd January belonging to Mr. Samuell Browne amounting to Rupees Five Thousand four hundred and Nine, Ten anaes, which he now paid into Cash.

Particulars as follows:—

Account sale of Sundrys at Outcry belonging to Mr. Samuell Browne.

			r.	a.	p.
A Fruit peice ...	...	Mr. Heron ...	2	12	
7 Metzo Tincto pictures	...	Major Hunt ...	26	4	
6 Picturés	...	Capt. Jones ...	8	5	
3 Prints	...	Polack		5	
3 Do.	...	Mr. Harnett ...	3	3	
3 Do.	...	Mr. Cole	8		
4 Do.	...	Mr. Harvey ...	10		
2 Flower Peices ...	...	Do. ...	1	4	
3 Landskips ...	...	Do. ...	9		
A Fruit peice ...	...	Do. ...	3		
8 China Pictures ...	...	Capt. Row ...	10	4	
6 Do. ...	...	Mr. Bartley ...	20	4	
6 Do. ...	...	— Polack ...	12		
4 Do. ...	...	Mr. Harnett ...	15		
		Carried over ...	129	9	0

			r.	a.	p.
		Brought over ...	129	9	0
3 China Picture large		Mr. Sugar ...		4	
4 Do.		Mr. Spinkes ...	8	8	
3 Do.		Ramkissenseat [Rāma-kṛishṇa Seth] ...	4	1	
4 Prints		Mr. Unwyn ...		8	
A pair of Silver Cullaces [*kalas*]... pz. 111 Sicca Rupees at 17a. Sicca Wt.		Mr. Wesley ...	117	15	
A Saucepan 41·8 Sicca Rupees at 16an. per rupee.		Capt. Jones ...	41	8	
A pair of candlesticks 77rs. 4a. at 17a. per rupee.		Mr. Spinckes ...	82	1	6
A Tea pot & Lamp pz. 92·4 @ 16an. Sicca wt.		Mr. Harnett ...	92	4	
6 Spoons 15rs. 4an. at 19 ans. per rupee.		Mr. Jeffs ...	18	2	
A Ladle pz. 10 6 at 18¼ ...		Mr. Lloyd ...	11	13	
A Dwelling House		Mr. Bellasyse ...	3420		
A Gilt Bedstead		Capt. Row ...	41		
A Glass Case for Plate ...		Major Hunt ...	10		
6 Pictures		Polack ...	2	2	
A Card Table		Capt. Wallis ...	4	4	
A Japan Table		Do. ...	21	8	
An Embroidered Side Saddle ...		Mr. Cole ...	131		
A Gun		Capt. Jones ...	20	4	
Do.		Mr. Gee ...	95	12	
Do.		Mr. Spinckes ...	24		
12 Brass Sconces pz. 26sr. at 1½ per seer.		Mr. Belasyse ...	39		
2 Jappan Escrutores		Mr. Gee ...	40	12	
4 Stands		Mr. Unwyn ...	2		
A Table		Captain Norgate ...	5	13	
Do.		——— Jourdan ...	8	4	
Do.		——— Polack ...	2	8	
A Patna Cott		Mr. Davis ...	16		
A Tea Table		Mr. Belasyse ...	3	4	
14 Chairs		Communille ...	31	4	
6 Stools		Do. ...	3	12	
7 Europe Chairs		Tacksund ...	10	12	
8 Chairs & a Couch		Pursoocktum [Purushattam]	16		
A Europe Couch		——Jourdan ...	3	12	
5 Chairs		Bauboo [Bābu] ...	10	8	
A Couch		—Montgomery ...	3	9	
		Carried over ...	4,474	9	6

			r.	a.	p.
	Brought over ...		4474	9	6
A Chest of Draws	Mr. Gammon		15	4	
10 Chairs	Sitteram		13		
3 Pictures	Mr. Gammon ...		6		
A Gold Watch	Capt Rowe ...		200		
Do.	Mr. Wesley ...		61		
A bath Metall Chain for a Watch	Mr. Spencer ...		2	10	
A Teak Table	Do. ...		9		
A Chaise	Mr. Greenhill ...		10		
4 Pictures	Mr. Gammon ...		4		
2 Neckes of Coasars[1] [*kūzak*] ...	Jouram		24	6	6
A Palankeen and Silver Furniture	Mr. Spinks ...		244	15	
A Table	— Gordon ...		3	13	
2 Stands	Mr. Turner ...		4		
One Diamond Ring	Dr. Harvey ...		429		
	Rupees ...		5409	10	12[2]

1415.—MESSRS. BROWNE AND BARKER'S DEBTS.

Monday, March 28th.

Messrs. Samuell Browne and Hugh Barker being indebted in the Honble Companys Books Seven Thousand Eight hundred and Sixty Rupees fourteen anaes Six pyce as per Consultation of 21 December and Mr. Hugh Barker having paid into their Cash the Sum of Three Thousand nine hundred and thirty Rupees seven Anaes three Pyce for his half of that Debt as per Consultation on 19th January.

ORDERD That the Ballance Three Thousand nine hundred and Thirty Rupees seven Anaes three Pyce which is Mr. Samuell Brownes Half part be transferrd to his particular Account.

There being due to Messrs. Browne & Barker on Account Sallary Vizt.

Mr. Samuell Browne of Councill			
from 29th Sepr. to 8th Decr.	m. 2⅓	62	3 6
Hugh Barker Junr. Merchant			
from 29th Sepr. to 8 Decr.	m. 2⅓	46	10 9
Rupees		108	14 3

ORDERD That it be brought to their particular Credit in the Generall Books till their Patna debts are discharged.

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[1] See *ante*, § 1380.

[2] If the figures have been correctly copied the total should be Rs. 5501 10.

1416.—GROUND RENT FOR SŪTĀNUṬĪ AND CALCUTTA.[1]

Monday, 4th April.

Sookdeb [Sukhdeva] Carrowrey [*karoṛī*] demanding Three hundred and twenty five Rupees Sicca for four Months Ground Rent due this month for Chuttanuttee [Sūtānuṭī] De Calcutta in the Purgunna [*parganā*] of Amaravad [Amirābād] in Jaffer Cawns [Ja'far Khān's] Jageer [*jāgīr*]

AGREED The President pay the same and give the Collector one Rupee as usuall.

1417.—CORRESPONDENCE WITH BROWNE ABOUT SETTLING HIS ACCOUNT.

Monday, April 4th.

There standing to the Creditt of Mr. Samuell Browne in the Generall Books Two Thousand Three Hundred and Eighteen Rupees fourteen anaes.

ORDERD That the Secritary do now write and Acquaint him thereof & to know how he would have it remitted to Patna in order to discharge part of his Debts there Standing out.

Mr. Samuell Browne

By order of the Honble President & Councill am to lett you know there Stands to your creditt in the Honble Companys Generall Books Two Thousand Three Hundred Eighteen Rupees fourteen anaes which they desire to know how you would have this money remitted to Patna in order to discharge part of your Debts there Standing out.

I am,
Your humble Servant
JOHN EYRE, Secretary.

Aprill the 4th 1720

Sir

I know no better way than by Speedily remitting it thither by Bill of Exchange.

I am
Your humble Servant
S. BROWNE.

Aprill 4th 1720

1418.—DEATH OF MR. JEFFS.[2]

Monday, April 11th.

Mr. Baron Jeffs, one of the Honble Company, Factors departed this Life the 9th Instant.

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[1] In this year, 1720, the rent for the three Calcutta towns was paid in full and a little more. In 1719, 1721, 1722, and 1723, the payments were short by about Rs. 3, see the Consultation of June 8, 1724. The remaining payments were made on July 25, August 11, October 24, December 1, of 1720 and on February 4, 1721, §§ 1462, 1480, 1532, 1553, 1580. They amount to Rs. 1281-14-0, that is 17 annas and 3 pies too much. See note to § 1109 before, where the correct total rent is shown to be Rs. 1281-6-9.

[2] Arrived writer August 13, 1712.

1419.—WILL OF BARON JEFFS.

The last Will and Testament of Mr. Baron Jeffs deceas'd was now brought before us by Mr. Thomas White Trustee thereof.

Copy of Mr. Jeffs Will.

In the Name of God Amen, I Baron Jeffs Inhabitant of Calcutta in Bengall being weak of body but sound in mind & understanding do make ordain constitute and appoint this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis I bequeath my Soul to God Almighty who gave it me and my body to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Trustee hereafter nominated.

Item To Captain Baron Wylde three fourths of what I may be worth at the time of my Decease.

Item The other Fourth of my Estate after all Just Debts are paid I bequeath it to Mr. Thomas White of this place in the Honble Companys Service, who I constitute and appoint to be trustee to this my last will and Testament, In witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal this Eighteenth day of February Anno Domini 1719-20

BARON JEFFS Seal.

Signd & Seald in the presence of us where no Stampt Paper is to be had.

JOHN HARRIS
NATHLL HALL.

Declaration of Witnesses.

John Harris and Nathaniell Hall Witnesses to the last Will and Testament of Baron Jeffs appearing before us the President & Councill in Bengall for Affairs of the Honble United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies the 11th day of Aprill 1720 in the Consultation Room in Fort William and being Sworn on the Holy Evangelists declare upon Oath that they Saw the Testator (who called them into his room to be Witnesses) Seal & to the best of their Knowledge declare that to be his hand and Seal and that he was then in his perfect Sences, and the Will as appears to us is written all with his own hand, the latter Witness Nathaniell Hall declares he saw John Harris Sign & goe out of his Chamber, before he Subscribed.

1420.—ZAMINDARI ACCOUNT FOR FEBRUARY, 1720.

Monday, April 18th.[1]

Mr. Waterworth Collett Jemindar [*zamindar*] now brought in the Account Revennues for the month of February the gross amount whereof is Three Thousand two hundred and eight Rupees nine anaes.

[1] April 17 was Easter Day.

ORDERD That it pass Errors Excepted and be deliverd the Accountant, the Ballance Two Thousand Eight hundred Seventy two Rupees four anaes nine pyce being paid into Cash.

1421.—WILL OF NICHOLAS PAMPHILON.[1]

Monday, April 18th. The last Will and Testament of Nicolas Pamphilon deceas't was now brought before us by Mr. Robert Turner one of the trustees thereof.

Copy of Nicolas Pamphilon's Will.

In the Name of God Amen, I Nicolas Pamphilon Ship Right of Callcutta (In Case of Mortallity) do appoint my Effects to be disposed off in the manner and form following, viz.

To my Wife Antonia Pamphilon the following things vizt. Fifty Rupees Current for mourning with her Wareing Apparrell and Joy's, Six old Chairs, Two Tables, one Couch, Ten Plats, Four Dishes, one Cott with the Furniture, one Chest and two Candlesticks with the House turning down to black bette's[2] for her Life.

To Mr. Robt. Turner Merchant and Mr. Robert Hanson Pylott both of Callcutta a ring each Value Two Chequins.

To my Daughters Elizabeth and Mary Pamphilon, The remainder of my Estate with the aforesaid House after the Death of my Wife Antonia Pamphilon (jointly between them only desireing my Eldest Daughter Elizabeth Pamphilon may have a Bristow Stone Ring which my Wife has) real or personall, to be paid on the day of their marriage, and in Case of either of There Deaths, Then to the Surviver desireing This my last Will may be Executed by Mr. Robert Turner and Mr. Robert Hanson both of Calcutta whom I appoint Executors Thereto with full power and Authority to receive demand and Uplift whatever Sum or Sums may be due by any person or persons to me and to see this my Last will Executed in what manner they think most proper, In Wittnes whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal in Callcutta This Eightteenth day of March One Thousand Seven hundred and Nineteen Twenty.

Signd Seald and delivered where no Stampt paper is to be had in the presence of us.

NICOLAS PAMPHILON. Seal.

LEWIS JOURDAIN.
NATHLL TOWNSEND.
SMALL MONTGOMERY.

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1 The Company's master carpenter.

2 Black Betty's, probably Elizabeth Bindon's punch house. See above § 1280 and again § 1426.

Declaration of Witnesses.

Lewis Jourdain Nathaniell Townsend & Samuell Montgomery the Witnesses to the Last Will & Testament of Nicholas Pamphilon deceas'd appearing before us the President & Councill in Bengall for Affairs of the Honble the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies this 18th Day of Aprill 1720 in the Consultation Room in Fort William and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists declare upon Oath that they Saw the Testator Sign Seal & declare this to be his Last Will and Testament and they further declare that he was then perfectly in his Senses and that they saw each other sign as Witnesses.

1422—SURVEY OF THE *COSSIMBUZAR* SLOOP.

Monday, 18th April. Our Pylots acquainting us that the Cossimbuzar Sloop was very leaky and wanted her Bottom to be Repair'd, We Order'd Captain John Jones Master Attendance, John Cassells Pylott, John Holman & Henry Cockrom Ship Carpenters to Survey her & give in their Report in writing to us which they did the 4th Instant.

Survey of Cossimbuzar *Sloop.*

To the Honble SAMUELL FEAKE Esqr &c^a^. Sirs of Councill.

We the under Subscribers having taken a thorough Survey of the Honble Companys Sloop *Cossimbuzar*, finding Severall Places of her main Plank and Oakum in the Seams Very much decay'd most of her dead Wood Timbers and Crutches Rotton (not fitting to Nail the Plank to) so that we think it much properer for the Security of the Companys Effects & their Service in the River that all her Sheathen should come off, & the Bottom Rebuilt, this We judge to be much Cheaper to the Honble Company than patching of her up, dated at Fort William 4th of Aprill 1720.

JOHN JONES
JOHN CASSELLS
JOHN HOLMAN
HENRY COCKROM

Cossimbuzar *Sloop to be rebuilt.*

We having for Severall days considerd and informd ourselves the best we could of what Condition She is in we find her upon further Search to be much worse than reported to us and by the Opinion of all Seafairing Men with us will be much Cheaper rebuilt than any ways patching up, when next year the old Work will become entirely Rotton & must then again be pull'd to Peices, Wherefore

AGREED That they now give her an entire new bottom, and that the Buxey [*bakhshi*] secure Timbers and the best Teak Planck procurable for that purpose.

1423.—BILL OF EXCHANGE ON ACCOUNT OF MR. BROWNE.

Thursday, April 21st.

Barnasseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh] our Broker having given us a bill of Exchange for Sicca Rupees Nineteen hundred Ninety six fourteen anaes drawn by himself on Ramjebundass [Rāmajivan Dās] & Jugjabundass [Yogajivan Dās] payable to Messrs. Edward Stephenson & Thomas Falconer at Patna on Account of Mr. Samuell Browne, being with the Exchange & Loss of Batta the full Ballance of his Account in the Honble Companys Books in this Place,

AGREED We write immediately to Patna and enclose the Bill to the Cheif &ca. there with Orders to pay itt in part of Mr. Samuell Brownes Debts due to the Merchants at that Settlement & Orderd that the Secritary send the Account thereof to Mr. Browne which is as follows, vizt.

A Bill of Exchange for Sicca Rupees ...		1996	14
Exchange ... 2 per cent		39	15
Loss of Batta being the Difference made by Shroffs between Siccas & Madrass Rupees 3½ p. c. ...		71	4 3
in Madrass Rupees ...		2108	1 3
Batta 10 p.c. ...		210	12 9
Rupees Current of Calcutta ...		2318	14 0

AGREED The President pay Barnarseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh] the above Said Sum & Charge the Same to Mr. Samuell Brounes Account Current.

1424.—MARRIAGE OF THOMAS COALES.[1]

Thursday, April 21st.

This day Mr. Thomas Coales one of the Honble Companys Writers was married to Mrs. Mary Mackdouell.

1425.—EFFECTS OF JONATHAN COOPER TO BE DIVIDED AMONGST HIS CREDITORS.

Thursday April 28th.[2]

Mr. William Spencer Buxey [*bakhshī*] now brought in the Account Sales & Account Current of the Estate of Mr. Jonathan Cooper deceasd, the Ballance whereof being Eight Thousand One Hundred Sixty one Rupees, Three anaes, one pyce, and there appearing due to his Creditors the Sum of Eight Thousand Four hundred forty nine rupees nine anaes,

[1] Coales arrived writer, it would seem, on September 15, 1715, as it appears from the pay bill for Michaelmas, 1723, that he became a junior merchant from September 15, 1723.

[2] The moon was new on April 26.

ORDERD That an equall dividend be made of what already got in and there being an Adventure belonging to the Estate yet remaining at Bombay which as soon as recoverd Orderd The Creditors be first paid what more due to them and the Ballance remaining be placed in the Honble Companys Cash for the use of the Heirs.

The Estate of M^r^. Jonathan Cooper deceased.

Dr.				Cr.			
To Cash paid Doctor Harvey	110			By the Ballance of an Act. with M^r^. Williamson	208	2	1
„ his Funerall Charges ...	64			„ Cash found in his Escrutore, Viz^t^.			
„ Cash paid M^rs^. Macdouell	660			25 Gold Mohurs at 11½rs. e^a^.	293	12	
„ d^o^. M^r^. ...	71	14	6	1 Moidore ...	8	14	
„ d^o^. M^r^. Grey ...	6	9	6		302	10	
„ d^o^. M^r^. Stackhouse ...	3	1		„ 3 p^s^. Cuttanees[1] sold Coja Nazar [Khwājah Nāẓir] ...	17		
„ d^o^. Ground Rent	2	1		„ 14 Chairs & a Couch sold M^rs^. Browne ...	42		
„ M^rs^. Macdonell for the Child	66			„ Cash received from Madrass per *King William* Madrass Rupees 1000	1100		
„ Robert Lavers ...	7	11		„ d^o^. received from M^r^. Grey Madrass rup 184-7-9 Batta [*baṭṭa*] 10 p. c. ... 18-5-6	203	13	3
„ Kite the Barber ...	5	8		„ 5 Gold Buttons p^d^ 13sic. 3ans. at 3rs. 12as. each sold M^r^. Ange	51	6	
„ M^rs^. Macdouell for the Child	110			„ His second Dividend of the Otter ['ittar] for 1000rs. concernd ...	65	6	6
„ Commission 5 p. c. on Rupees 9755-2-7 ...	487	12	6	„ The amount of his Outcry Account ...	7766	7	9
	1594	9	6	Rupees ...	9755	12	7
Ballance ...	8161	3	1				
Rupees ...	9755	12	7				

[1] Yule and Burnell's *Glossary*, p. 224, explains cuttanee as some kind of piece goods and connects the name with the Arabic *quṭn*, cotton.

1426.—LICENSE, TONNAGE, AND PASS MONEY FOR 1719.

Thursday, April 28th.

Mr. John Eyre Secretary now brought in the Account of Tonnage, Passmoney, Banksall house, Licence & Dock money for the year 1719 amounting to Three Thousand Six Hundred Sixty four Rupees, particulars Viz.

		r. a. p.	r. a. p.
Antonio Phillips, commencing 1st July ...	...		50
Elizabeth Bindon,[1] do. 31st do. ...	...		50
Ship *London* ... Tonnage ...	...	150	
Pass money ...	...	10	
Banksall House	...	10	
			170
Brigantine *Essex* ... Tonnage ...	...	25	
Pass money ...	...	10	
Banksall House	...	10	
			45
Ship *Obediah* ... Pass money ...	...		10
Brigantine *Elizabeth* ... Tonnage ...	...	40	
Pass money ...	...	10	
Banksall House	...	10	
			60
Robert Lavers Licence commencing the 14th Sepr.			50
Ship *Stratford* ... Tonnage ...	...	40	
Pass money ...	...	10	
Banksall House	...	10	
			60
Ship *Page* ... Tonnage ...	...	70	
Banksall House	...	10	
			80
Ship *Charles* ... Tonnage ...	...	150	
Pass money ...	...	10	
Banksall House	...	10	
			170
Ship *Sampson* ... Tonnage ...	...	150	
Banksall House	...	10	
			160
Ship *Hallifax* ... Tonnage ...	...	40	
Pass money ...	...	10	
Banksall House	...	10	
			60
Samuel Brigantine ... Tonnage ...	...	50	
Pass money ...	...	10	
Banksall House	...	10	
			70
Carried over	...		1035

[1] Known, it appears, to the public as Black Betty. See § 1421.

		r. a. p.	r. a. p.
	Brought over ...		1035
Ship *Marygold*	... Tonnage ...	... 50	
	Pass money ...	... 10	
	Banksall House	... 10	
			70
Ship *Margarett*	... Tonnage ...	... 60	
	Banksall House	... 10	
			70
Ship *Severn*	... Tonnage ...	... 150	
	Pass money ...	... 10	
	Banksall House	... 10	
			170
Ship *Ally Mahmud*	... ...	...	20
Ship *Frances*	... Tonnage ...	... 70	
	Banksall House	... 10	
			80
Ship *Joseph*	... Tonnage ...	... 60	
	Pass money ...	... 10	
	Banksall House	... 10	
			80
Ship *Monchoo*	... Banksall House	... 10	
			10
Ship *King George*	... Tonnage ...	... 180	
	Banksall House	... 10	
			190
Ship *Windsor*	... Tonnage ...	... 180	
	Banksall House	... 10	
			190
Ship *William*	... Tonnage ...	... 180	
	Banksall House	... 10	
			190
Ship *Shrewsbury*	... Tonnage ...	... 60	
	Pass money ...	... 10	
	Banksall House	... 10	
			80
Brigantine *Prosperous*	Tonnage ...	... 25	
	Pass money ...	... 10	
	Banksall House	... 10	
			45
Madrass Brigantine	... Tonnage ...	... 40	
	Banksall House	... 10	
			50
Ship *Shawallum*	... Tonnage ...	... 200	
	Pass money ...	... 14	
	Banksall House	... 10	
			224
	Carried over ...		2504

			r. a. p	r. a. p.
	Brought over	...		2504
Brigantine *Phœnix*	... Tonnage ...	...	45	
	Pass money ...	...	10	
	Banksall House	...	10	
				65
Brigantine *Adventure*	... Tonnage ...	...	45	
	Pass money ...	...	10	
	Banksall House	...	10	
				65
Ship *Oxford*	... Tonnage ...	...	150	
	Pass money ...	...	10	
	Banksall House	...	10	
				170
Brigantine *Adventure*	... Tonnage ...	...	20	
	Pass money ...	...	10	
	Banksall House	...	10	
				40
Brigantine *Eagle*	... Tonnage ...	...	70	
	Pass money ...	...	10	
	Banksall House	...	10	
				90
Ship *Sarah*	... Tonnage ...	...	50	
	Pass money ...	...	10	
	Banksall House	...	10	
				70
Brigantine *Success*	... Tonnage ...	...	45	
	Pass money ...	...	10	
	Banksall House	...	10	
				65
Ship *Chester*	... Tonnage ...	...	70	
	Pass money ...	...	10	
	Banksall House	...	10	
				90
Mary Ann Galley	... Pass money ...	...		10
Sloop *Speedwell*	... Tonnage ...	...	15	
	Pass money ...	...	10	
				25
Brigantine *Cornelia*	... Tonnage ...	...	45	
	Pass money ...	...	10	
	Banksall House	...	10	
				65
Francis Vanes Licence commencing 2nd March		...		50
Brigantine *Triplicaine*	... Tonnage ...	...	45	
	Banksall House	...	10	
				55
Brigantine *Essex*	... Pass money ...	...		10
Esperanca Cornelison's Licence commencing 6th Octr.				50
	Rupees	...		3424
	Carried over	...		3424

	r. a. p.	r. a. p.
Brought over ...		3424
Dock Money Viz[t].		
Ship *Shawallum* 3 Springs at 40 rs. per Spring ...		120
Ship *Windsor* 3 d° 40 ,, ...		120
Rupees ...		3664

ORDERD That it pass Errors excepted and be deliverd the Accountant the amount Three Thousand Six hundred Sixty four Rupees being at Severall times paid into Cash.

1427.—SALE OF WINE AND ROSE WATER AT PUBLIC OUTCRY.

Monday, May 2nd. Mr. William Spencer Importwarehousekeeper now deliver'd in an Account of Sundrys Sold at Publick Outcry in Fort William which came on Ship *Disbouverie* Captain Thomas Wootton from Persia account of the Hon[ble] Company amounting to Eight hundred and two rupees.

Account Sales of Ambaree Wine & Rose Water that came from Persia on Ship *Desbouverie* Capt. Wootton Commander for Account of the Right Hon[ble] Company Sold at publick Outcry in Fort William November the 10th 1719.

Ambaree Wine Viz[t].

To Mr. Grey ...	2 Chests ea. @	16 8		33
To Coja Petruse ...	2 d°. ,,	15 12		31 8
To Mr. John Browne ...	2 d°. ,,	16 4		32 8
To Mons. Fauchier ...	2 d°. ,,	14		28
To Capt. Jones ...	2 d°. ,,	14 4		28 8
To Antonio Polack ...	2 d°. ,,	15 4		30 8
To Robert Hill ...	2 d°. ,,	16		32
To Sugar ...	2 d°. ,,	16		32
To Capt. Jones ...	2 d°. ,,	13 4		26 8
To d°. ...	2 d°. ,,	12 12		25 8
To Mr. Braddyll ...	2 d°. ,,	14 8		29
To Coja Petruse ...	2 d°. ,,	14 8		29
To Mr. Oldmixon ...	2 d°. ,,	12 8		25
To Sugar ...	2 d°. ,,	13		26
To Coja Petruse ...	2 d°. ,,	12 4		24 8
To Antonio Polack ...	2 d°. ,,	12 4		24 8
To Coja Petruse ...	2 d°. ,,	11 8		23
To Coja Mercer ...	2 d°. ,,	11 4		22 8
To Capt. Love ...	2 d°. ,,	10 8		21
To Mr. Moreland ...	2 d°. ,,	10 8		21
To Coja Nachary ...	2 d°. ,,	10 4		20 8
To Seekell ...	2 d°. ,,	10 4		20 8
	44 Chests			586 8
Rose Water				
To Sookdeb [Sukhdeva] ...	1 Chest ...	32 4		
To Mr. Cooke ...	1 d°. ...	30 4		
To d°. ...	1 d°. ...	30 4		
To Capt Wallis ...	1 d°. ...	30 12		
To Coja Stephanus ...	1 d°. ...	30		
To d°. ...	1 d°. ...	30 12		
To Gopaul [Gopāl] ...	1 d°. ...	30 12		215 8
	7 Chests.		Rupee ...	802

1428.—DIVIDEND PAPER OF JONATHAN COOPER'S ESTATE.

Monday, May 2nd

According to order of last Consultation Mr. William Spencer Buxey [*bakhshi*] now deliver'd in the Dividend paper of Mr. Jonathan Coopers estate deceased amounting to Rupees Eight Thousand one hundred sixty one three anaes one pyce.

A Dividend amongst the Creditors of Mr. Jonathan Cooper deceased.

Dr.			*Cr.*	
To a Respondentia Bond payble to Mr. Poney for 100 Pags @ 306 Ms Rups. for 100 Pags with 10 pr. ct.	Principall. 336 9 6	Dividend. 325 2 6	By Ballance of his Account deliver'd in Consultation the 28 Aprill 1720. Divided as per Contra...	8161 3 1
To a Respondentia Bond payble to Capt. Heron for 500 Pags @ 3.6 Ms Rups. per 100 Pags with 10 pr. ct. ... 1683				
To Capt. Heron 40 Surat Rupees ... 44	1727	1668 1 3		
To his Note payble to Mr. Spinckes	988	949 9		
To his Note payable to Mr. Ange	491 8	474 12 6		
To Mr. Pee the Ballance of his Account	1753 6 10	1693 8 7		
To the Ballance of Taggarams Note	59 10 2	57 9 9		
To a Respondentia Bond payble to Mr. Tawke for 200 Pags @ 306 Ms Rups. per 100 Pags with 10 pr. ct. ...	673 3 3	650 5		
To Mr. Robson 600 Pags @ 306 Ms Rups. per 100 Pags with 10 pr. ct. ...	2019	1949 12 6		
To Capt. Jones for a horse ... ... 145 A Cloths Press ... 25	170			
Deduct 5 pr. ct. Commn. 8·8	161 8	156		
To Mr. Burtons note for 102	102 3 3	98 11 9		
To the Ballance of an Act. with Mr. Edwd. Reynolds 38 Checquins[1] @ 3-12	142 8	137 10 3		
Principall ...	8449 9	Divd 8161 3 1		

1429.—ACCOUNT OF MADEIRA WINE.

Monday, May 2nd.

Mr. William Spencer Buxey [*bakhshi*] now brought in an Account of Sale of Madera Wine Sold at Publick Outcry in Fort William Account of the Honble Comp

[1] Chequeen, or chequin, a gold coin of Italy worth from 7*s.* to 9*s.* 6*d.* Italian *zecchino* from *Zecca*, the mint at Venice.

amounting to nine hundred fifty Six rupees, thirteen anaes, three pyce, Vizt.

1 Pipe	Madera Wine	...	Mr. Coales	...	150		
1	do.	...	Mr. Trenchfield	...	145		
1	do.	...	Mr. Hall	...	178	9	9
1	do.	...	Robert Lavers	...	126		
1	do.	...	Mr. Hall	...	178	9	9
1	do.	...	Do.	...	178	9	9
			Rupees	...	956	13	3

Fort William,
The 13th Oct. 1719.

1430.—EFFECTS OF ḤĀJĪ MUḤAMMAD 'ABDĪN.

May 2nd. Hodjee Mahmud Obdeen [Ḥājī Muḥammad 'Abdīn] an Arab Merchant who dyed in this place the 25th December, Severall other of his Country men appear'd before us and desired we would take his Effects into the Honble Companys Cash to remain there till Such time they could acquaint his Family and friends who live in Judda that they may send a proper demand for the Same, Mr. William Spencer late Buxey [*bakhshī*] now deliver'd in a particular Account thereof, and has paid in the Ballance, Eleven Thousand Seven hundred Seventy one Rupees one anae Six pyce at Severall times into the Honble Companys Cash.

Hodjee Mahmud Obdeen [Ḥājī Muḥammad 'Abdīn].

Dr. *Cr.*

To Charges paid his Gomasta [*gumāshtah*] who provided & brought in the Bale of Shaulbafts[1] from the Aurungs		27 8	By Cash found in his Chest Viz. Abassees 9985 @ 59 rups. per 100 Abassees	5891 2 6	
To what paid his Servants for their wages & petty Expences due to them		38 8 6	Checqueens 397 @ 3-12	1488 12	
To Ditto House rent ...		11	Mads. 140 with 10 pr. ct.	154	
To Doctor Coults Bill ...		100			7533 14 6
		177 6	By Cash receivd of Hodjee Mahmud Bagdatee[2]		1540
Ballance ...		11771 1 6	By do. of Coja Abdell Coreen		1320
Rupees ...		11948 2	By do. do. Madrass Rupees ...	982 15	
			Batta 10 pr. ct. ...	98 4 9	1081 3 9
			By his Outcry Account	.....	472 15
			Rupees ...	.....	11948 2

Fort William,
The 30th Aprill 1720.

[1] Probably *shāl-bafts*.

[2] Muḥammad of Baghdad.

1431.—EXCHANGE OF OFFICES.

Monday, May 2nd.

Mr. Edward Crisp succeeding in Councill at this board as Secritary by the dissmission of Mr. Samuell Browne as per Order of Consultation of the 9th January occasions a Removall of Mr. Waterworth Collett to the Charge of Buxey [*bakhshī*] & Storekeeper and Mr. John Eyre to the Post of Jemindar [*zamīndār*] & this being the time of ballancing our Generall Books and for every one to examine their particular Charges they are intrusted with.

ORDERED That Mr. Waterworth Collett do take Charge as Buxey [*bakhshī*] from the first of this Month & give a receipt for the Ballance of all Stores &c^{a}. belonging to this Office and that Mr. John Eyre do take the charge as Jemindar [*zamīndār*] & continue as Secritary till Mr. Crisp returns from Cossimbuzar which will be as soon as he has ballanc'd those Books & deliver'd up his Charge at that Factory.

1432.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR APRIL 1720.[1]

Monday, May 9th.

Abstract of Major Richard Hunts Company for the month of Aprill 1720.

1	Major	...	65
1	Lieutenant	...	35
1	Ensigne	...	24
1	Master of Arms	...	20
1	Serjeant Major	...	20
1	Marshall	...	20
8	Serjeants	...	160
9	Corporalls	...	117
1	Drum Major	...	20
5	Drummers	...	59
80	Europeans	...	800
3	Rounders	...	18
32	Portugueze	...	160
144	Men Rupees	...	1518

On Command at Cossimbuzar
10 Men

Abstract of Capt. Henry Dallibars Company for the month of Aprill 1720.

2	Lieutenants	...	70
1	Ensigne	...	24
8	Serjeants	...	160
7	Corporalls	...	91
4	Drummers	...	40
2	Governours Guard	...	20
84	Europeans	...	840.
3	Rounders	...	18
17	Portugueze	...	85
128	Men Rupees	...	1354[2]

On Command at Cossimbuzar

2	Corporalls
1	Drummer
9	Europeans

$\frac{12}{140}$ Men.

[1] Compare those for February, recorded on March 14, in § 1410.

[2] The amount is incorrect. It should be Rs. 1348.

1433.—SUNDRIES SOLD AT PUBLIC OUTCRY.

Monday, May 16th.

Mr. James Williamson Exportwarehousekeeper now deliverd in his Account of Sundrys sold at Publick Outcry out of that Warehouse the 22nd Ulto. amounting to Three Hundred twenty three Rupees Fourteen anaes. Particulars, vizt.

4 Ps. Rappers	...	Mr. Eyre Junr.	...	6	4
4 Do. Chint	...	Antho De Saint	...	6	5
4 Ps. Do.	...	Wm. Gordon	...	6	9
a Ps. of old Cloth	...	Wm. Drisdell	...		13
4 Blanketts	...	Peraunsum [Prānsyām] Deloll [*dallāl*].		2	
4 Do.	...	Killeram [Kālirām]	...	1	6
6 Do.	...	Mr. Reynolds	...	1	14
4 Do.	...	Tackerdass [Thākurdās]	...	1	8
128 Do.	...	Barnarseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh]	...	32	
4 Do.	...	Nuree	...	2	1
60 Do.	...	Jaddooseat [Yādu Seṭh]	...	15	
5 Do.	...	Ramkipendut [Rāmkishn Datta]		1	4
10 Do.	...	Collichurn [Kālicharan]	...	2	8
6 Do.	...	Black boatswain	...	1	8
66 Do.	...	Bissnodasseat [Vishṇudās Seṭh]		16	8
2 Do.	...	Nuree Mahmud [Nur Muḥammad] peon.			8
1 Do.	...	Nureela [Nurullah] Chubdar [*chobdār*].			4
14 Do.	...	Sam [Syām] podar [*poddār*]	...	3	8
79 Do.	...	Rogoo [Raghū] Banian [*banyā*]		17	14
Rappers old 20	...	Coja Nazar [Khwājah Nazir]	...	13	8
Do. 20	...	Do.	...	14	12
Do. 20	...	Do.	...	15	
Do. 20	...	Do.	...	16	8
Do. 20	...	Do.	...	17	
Do. 20	...	Do.	...	15	4
Do. 20	...	Do.	...	16	4
Do. 20	...	Do.	...	17	
Do. 20	...	Ramdass [Rāmdās] Deloll [*dallāl*]		17	
Do. 12	...	Do.		9	4
Do. 20	...	Kissencern [Kṛishṇacharan] podar [*poddār*].		9	4
Do. 23	...	Urgumull [Ugramal]	...	9	4
Sheets 40	...	Benja. Skinner	...	3	13
Do. 40	...	Ramjibon [Rāmjivan]	...	6	4
		Carried over	...	299	11

			Brought over ...	299 11
Sheets	40	...	James Shaw	5 10
Do.	20	...	Ramjibban [Rāmjivan] ...	3 10
Do.	40	...	Ramdass [Rāmdās] Deloll [*dallāl*]	5 8
Do.	40	...	Francis Sprigs	5 6
Do.	34	...	Kissenchurn [Kṛishṇacharan] podar [*poddār*].	4 1
			Rupees ...	323 14

1434.—YEARLY PAYMENT TO THE HUGLI GOVERNMENT.

Monday, May 16th. The Hugly Government demanding their Yearly Pishcash [*peshkash*] of Three Thousand Rupees Sicca due the 30th Ultimo,

AGREED The President pay Three Thousand Madrass Rupees.

1435.—ZAMĪNDĀRĪ ACCOUNT FOR MARCH, 1720.

May 16th. Mr. Waterworth Collett late Jemindar [*zamīndār*] now brought in the Account of Revennues for the month of March, the gross amount whereof is Three Thousand Two Hundred Twenty nine Rupees two anaes nine pyce.

ORDERD That it pass Errors excepted and be deliverd the Accountant, the Ballance Two Thousand Eight Hundred seventy four Rupees & One anae being paid into Cash.

1436.—NEW FLAGS WANTED AT BALASOR.

Monday, May 23rd.[1] Yesterday receiv'd a Letter from Mr. Harry Clare at Ballasore dated the 17th Instant inclosing his Charges Generall and Cash Account for Aprill & advises he has given out Dadney [*dādnī*] to the Weavers to begin this Years Investment, he also desires two new fflags for the use of the Flag Staff the others being Worn out.

ORDERD That Mr. Waterworth Collett Buxey [*bakhshi*] do get two new fflags made and Send down with all Expedition.

1437.—ACCOUNT OF GOODS LOST IN GOING ON BOARD SHIP *CADOGAN*.

May 23rd. Mr. James Williamson Accountant brought in the Proffitt and Loss Entry of sundry goods lost in going on board Ship *Cadogan*, as mentioned in Consultation of the

[1] The moon was new on May 26.

12th January 1719-20, the accident of the Salt Petre Mr. Browne advises off in his Letter of the 7th November last from Somnagar the particular Account was not then inserted as we could not know the Exact quantity lost till the whole was weigh'd off Some bags being entirely lost and others half and partly wash'd out.

ORDER'D that the whole Loss be wrote off and the particular enter'd.

1438.—PATNA LETTER ABOUT THE SALE OF BROADCLOTH.

Thursday, June 2nd. The 29th Ulto. received a Letter from Mr. Edward Stephenson and Mr. Thomas Falconer from Patna dated the 15th wherein they advise us when the Troubles are over and the roads open which they hope will be Speedily they beleive shall be able to dispose of the following Quantitys of Broad Cloth &ca.

Broad Cloth Aurora	25 Bales	Fine Scarlett	5 Bales
Ordinary Green	200 do.	Superfine do. & Yellow @	2 Ps.
Perpetuannces Scarlett	200 Pieces.		

1439.—DEATH OF MR. THOMLINSON.[1]

Thursday. June 2nd. The Reverend Mr. Joshua Thomlinson departed this Life the 30th Ultimo.

1440.—WILL OF THE REV. JOSHUA THOMLINSON.

June 2nd. The Last Will and Testament of the Reverend Mr. Joshua Thomlinson was now produced before the board by the Honble Samuell Feake Esqr. President Trustee thereof.

Copy of Mr. Thomlinson's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I Joshua Thomlinson Minister of Gods Word in Calcutta in Bengall being Sick & weak of Body but God be praised of Sound and perfect mind and memory doe make ordain publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament and I doe hereby revoke and anull all former wills and Testaments by me heretofore made. I Recommend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God my mercyfull Creator trusting in the merritts & through the mediation of my Redeemer Jesus Christ to obtain free pardon of my Sins and a Joyfull resurrection to Eternall Life, my Body I committ to the Earth to be decently interr'd at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter mention'd.

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[1] The Rev. Joshua Thomlinson was born in Poole in Yorkshire, and went to school at Leeds. On July 5, 1692, at the age of 17, he matriculated at Cambridge as a member of Christ's College. He graduated B.A. in 1695, and M.A. in 1699. In 1707 he became the Company's Chaplain at St. Helena. Appointed to succeed Briercliffe, he arrived in Calcutta on January 23, 1720. See Hyde's *Parochial Annals of Bengal*, p. 75.

As for what wordly Estate it hath pleased God to intrust me withall my Just Debts and funerall Charges being paid I give and bequeath as follows.

To my Sister Lydia Cook I give thirty Pounds or two hundred and Forty Rupees and to my Sister Ann Clark the same to be paid them as soon as conveniently can be after my Decease & to as many of each of their Children that may live to be of age or marry twenty pounds apiece and as I expect one or two of their Daughters may be comeing out to me on their arrivall here if two comes I give Sixty pounds or four hundred and eighty Rupees apeice, if but one comes I give to that one one hundred and twenty Pounds or nine hundred and Sixty Rupees, and I give towards Setting up of a Charity Schoole in this Place eighty Rupees, the rest and remainder of my Estate whatsoever I give to my beloved wife Elizabeth Thomlinson and I appoint The Hon^{le} Samuell Feake Esqr. Executor and my wife Executrix of this my last will and Testament and in case of Governour Feakes Death or Absence I appoint the Worshipfull James Williamson Esqr. Executor in his Stead dated in Calcutta the 29th of May Anno Domini 1720.

Sign'd Sealed published and delcared to be the Testators last will and Testament (where no Stampt Paper is to be had) in the Presence of us.

Seal.

Sam^{LL}. Feake
John Stackhouse
Thos. Coales

Joshua Thomlinson

Declaration of Witnesses.

Thursday, 2nd June.

The Honble Sam^{ll} Feake Esqr. and Messrs. John Stackhouse and Thomas Coales the Witnesses to this last Will and Testament of the Reverend M^{r}. Joshua Thomlinson deceased appear'd before us the President & Councill in Bengall for Affairs of the Honble United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies the 2nd day of June 1720 in the Consultation Room in Fort William and being Sworn on the Holy Evangelists did declare upon Oath that they saw the Testator sign Seal and declare this to be his last Will and Testament and that he was then in his perfect Senses and that they saw each other sign as Witnesses.

1441.—THE MOST FAVOURABLE RATE OF EXCHANGE NOT ALLOWED TO THE COMPANYS' SERVANTS IN BOMBAY.

Monday, June 6th.[1]

Yesterday arriv'd the *Severn* before our Fort from Suratt but touched in her way at Fort S^{t}. George, she brought us a Generall Letter from the Governour

[1] June 5 was Whit Sunday.

and Councill of Bombay dated the 16th Aprill advising of the Ships *Fordwich* and *Hannover* arriving Them this season from Europe both which They have dispatch'd fully laden for Great Brittain the former from Callicut the 3rd February, but the *Hannover* made it the 19th of March before she left Carwarr, So they are apprehensive she must winter at Madrass.

The *Townsend* consign'd them from the Governour &c^{a}. at Fort St. George with Kintledge and Twenty Thousand Pagodas for a Cargoe of Pepper they dispatch'd from Their Coast the ninteenth February.

They advise the Honble Court of Directors have given the Servants of their Presidency a liberty of remitting money from hence by Bill paying into Their Cash here a Current Rupee for Two Shillings and Nine Pence and request that M^{r}. John Saunders may pay in the Sum of one Thousand Six Hundred Bombay Rupees and have Bills of Exchange given for Account of M^{r}. John Horne.

We not having receiv'd any Orders or advice from our Honble Masters of this Indulgence given to any of their Servants but who reside at this Presidency.

AGREED That we acquaint M^{r}. Saunders that we can't receive any Sum of Sums of money into Cash and give Bills of Exchange without direct orders from the Honble Company on any other terms than Customary to all free Merchants which is at two Shillings and Six pence per Current Rupee of Bengall.

1442.—HUGLI SLANDERS THE ENGLISH TO JA'FAR KHĀN.

Thursday, June 23rd.[1]

The 19th Instant we received a Generall from Cossimbuzar dated the 15th wherein M^{r}. John Deane &c^{a}. advise that the Hughly Government had wrote the Nabob that we were building Outworks & Casting up Trenches round our Towns whereon our Vacqueel [*vakīl*] was confined a whole night at the Durbar [*darbār*] upon which he sent the Nabob an answer it was a forge[d] peice of Villany of the Hughly Phowsdar [*faujdār*] &c^{a}. Officers, however this false information has given them a handle or pretence of quarrelling in hopes by their threatening or offering to disturb us they may in the End extort a Sum of money from us we not haveing for some Years past given any of the Customary annuall Presents to the Hughly [Hugly] Officers nor many Sum to Jaffercaune [Ja'far Khān] since Governour Feake

[1] The moon was new on June 2.

Settled that Factory & the Country in Effect still continuing as in an Interregnum for the King is not yet obey'd and the Kingdom in most parts in Rebellion, wherefore a very improper Season to purchase any Nabobs favour at the Expence of so large a Present as he expects or will accept off. The real Grounds of this Complaint is nothing more than a handsome open Road we were designing to make on the Southermost part of our bounds, On a direct Line so as to keep the Country open and Clear for Levelling of which we were obliged to make a small Ditch for the Earth which they out of disgust or ill nature have term'd an Intrenchment tho' nothing more than what a Horse may leap over, this being a Generall benefitt for the free Passage of the air thro' the whole Town would have been made at the Expence of our Merchants &c^{a} Inhabitants, notwithstanding we have acquainted the Government with the truth of this affair and to prevent any room for Jealousie have forbore going on with our designe and taken off all our Workmen they still have represented the matter as a Fortification to the Nabob and now have Insolently orderd our Hugly Vacqueel [*vakīl*] to write us to breake up what allready levelled and fill up the ditch or otherwise they'l send force to do it for us.

1443.—LETTER OF EXPLANATION SENT TO THE NABOB.

June 23rd. AGREED we Immediately write the whole Affair to the Nabob and at the Same time again recollect him of the late abuse we suffered in our Hugly House by misrepresentation and that if the Government continued daily to molest and disgrace us we connot quietly suffer such abuses and that our Vacquell [*vakīl*] go to the Durbar [*darbār*] at Hugly and give the Duhy [*ḍuhāī*] in the Kings name and there publickly declare that we desire to live here as Merchants and quietly enjoy the priviledges granted us by his Majestys Royall Phirmaund [*farmān*] but if they were resolved to Affront & insult us we would not tamely bear it but defend ourselves and Oppose any Force they should send in an Hostile manner to approach our bounds, also

AGREED The Buxey [*bakẖshī*] do with all Expidition build a Couple of slight Straw Bungelaes on the Southermost edge of our Bounds for the Conveniency of our Soldiers and their Arms during the rainy Season, In case we should be obliged to keep out Guards to

secure our Inhabitants which will likewise Shew the Government we are fixed in our Defence.

1444.—ZAMÍNDÁRÍ ACCOUNT FOR APRIL 9, 1720.[1]

Thursday June 23rd.

Mr. Waterworth Collett late Jemindar, [*zamīndār*] now brought in the Account of Revennues for the month of Aprill the Gross amount whereof is Rupees Four Thousand five hundred fifteen and thirteen anaes, particulars Vizt.

By Ground Rent	1254	10	9
„ Gain on Cowries [*kauṛis*]	211	11	6
„ Duty on Graine	93	14	3
„ Mangon [*mangan*]	487	2	
„ Moldarry [*māldāri*]	4	1	9
„ Toubuzzarry [*tahbāzārī*]	207	11	6
„ Weighmen	226	1	6
„ Wood	8	15	
„ Potts	1	2	
„ Caulkers	36	4	6
„ Bannians [*banyās*]	5	15	
„ Ferry Boat	7	4	6
„ Bramins [*Brahmans*]	2	4	9
„ Cotton Beaters	1	14	6
„ Butty [*bheṭi*]	160		6
„ Laying Boats Ashore	1		
„ Vermillion	21	2	6
„ Conjee [*kānji*]		9	
„ The Markett	247	3	
„ Delolly [*dallāli*] of do.	2	13	
„ Suba Buzar [Sobhā Bāzār]	72		3
„ Begum Buzar [Begam Bāzār]	25	9	3
„ Jean Buzar [Jān Bāzār]	25	1	3
„ Hogs	1	1	6
„ Sale of Paddy [*pādī*] Tobacca &c[a]. growing on Spare Ground belonging to the Company	196	10	
„ Sale of Houses	58	11	9
„ Sallama [*salāmī*] of Potas [*paṭṭas*] ...	167	2	6
„ Recovering Debts	15	5	6
„ Peons Fees	155	3	3
„ Marriages	225	12	6
„ Fines	189	3	3
„ Sale of Slaves	26	6	3
Carried over ...	4170	0	9

[1] Compare the explanations at § 1090.

Brought over ...	4170	0	9
By Bang [*bhang*]	38	8	6
„ Sale of Ground	33	12	6
„ Sale of Houses belonging to people run away	21	11	6
„ Goods sold at Outcry belonging to people run away & Rogues Effects	248	5	
„ Sale of Fetters from Prisoners Feet dead & Cleared	3	6	9
	4515	13	
Charges Deducted ...	467	4	3
Rupees	4048	8	9

1445.—WAGES TO THE *VAKĪL* AT DACCA.

Thursday, June 23rd.

There being due to Santose Mullick [Santos Mallik] the Vacqueel [*vakil*] at Dacca the sum of six hundred sixty Rupees for twelve months Wages at fifty five Rupees per month from the 1st May 1719 to the 1st May 1720

AGREED The President pay the same.

1446.—WILL OF THOMAS GREAVES.

June 23rd.

The last Will and Testament of Thomas Greaves who dyed on board the *Severn* Galley on her Voyage to Suratt was now produced before the Board by Mr. Michael Grey one of the Trustees thereof.

Copy of Thomas Greaves's Will.

In the Name of God Amen, I Thomas Greaves late of Calcutta in the Kingdom of Bengall Merchant being sick and weak in body but of sound and perfect memory (praise be given to God for the same) and knowing the uncertainty of this Life on Earth, and being desirous to Settle things in order do make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following; that is to say First and principally I commend my Soul to Almighty God My Creator, assuredly beleiving that I shall receive full pardon and free Remission of my Sins, and to be saved by the pretious Death and Merits of my blessed Saviour and Redeemer Christ Jesus, and my Body to the Earth from whence it was taken, to be buried

in a decent and Christian manner, as my Trustee hereafter named shall think convenient, and as touching such worldly Estate as the Lord in mercy hath lent me, I give devise Bequeath and dispose of the same in manner and form following. Imprimis. I give and bequeath unto my Loving Brother John Greaves all that my part and share of a ship-Yard situated and being in Limekiln Dock & Commonly known by the name of the Limekiln Dock Yard, togather with my part and Share of the Storehouses, Warehouses and all Appurtenances & Materialls belonging thereunto, as the same was devised and bequeathed unto me by my Hon^{d}. Father Thomas Greaves Deceased & such was lately in the possession of Henry Dampier Shipwright, And I do farther give to my said Brother John Greaves, all that my Land called upland togather with a Garden Orchard &c^{a}. now situated & being in the parish of West Ham in the County of Essex, & now or late in the Possession of Servas Latimas of said place Merchant, as is more particularly set forth in the Will made by my Hon^{d}. Father aforesaid deceased, the said Ship Yard, Land, Garden &c^{a}. Orchard &c^{a}. to have and to hold the same unto my Brother aforesaid and his Heirs for ever; Item I give devise and bequeath unto my Loving Sister Susanna Mackey my Buriall Ring which was my Fathers; Item I give and bequeath unto my Slave Boy named Kuttee Kelly his Freedom, and whereas Mr. George Woollaston deceased is now indebted to me the Sum of one hundred and thirty pagodas, I do hereby give devise and bequeath the said one hundred and thirty Pagodas unto my said Slave boy Kuttee Kelly so soon as it shall be recover'd out of Mayor's Court of Madrass where it now lyeth and of which said place the aforesaid Mr. George Woollaston was a Merchant and I desire the Care and Diligence of my Trustee hereafter named to use his utmost Endeavour to get the said Kuttee Kelly placed in the Charity School of Madrass; All the rest residue and Remainder of my Estate Reall and personall I give devise and bequeath unto my most Hon^{d}. Mother Susanna Greaves whom I hereby appoint in Conjunction with my Brother John Greaves aforesaid my Joint Executrix and Executor of this my last will and Testament hereby revokeing and annulling all former Wills & Testaments by me heretofore made ratyfying & Confirming this and none other to be my last Will & Testament: But in Case of the decease of my most Hon^{d}. Mother aforesaid (which God forbid) before the advice of my Decease shall arrive in England, then and in such case all the rest residue and remainder of my Estate as before bequeathed unto my Hon^{d}. Mother I will devise and bequeath unto my Loving Brother John Greaves and my Loving Sister Susanna Mackey aforesaid to be by them equally shared, and in such case I do appoint them whole and sole Executor and Executrix of this my last Will and Testament and for the better Execution of the premises I do hereby nominate and appoint Mr. Michael Grey of Calcutta Merchant my Trustee hereof desireing his best care and diligence in the due oversight hereof, hereby giving him full Power to remitt home to my Executor and Executrix aforesaid, the neat produce of my Estate after all Debts and Demands are fully adjusted with waiting for their orders, In witness whereof I have to this my last Will and Testament Containing two sides of paper fairly written Set my Hand & Seal to each side, done on board

the Ship *Severn* now at Sea this Thirteenth day of January in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Seven hundred and nineteen or Twenty.

Signed Sealed & declared by the Testator as his last Will and Testament in the Presence of us — Thos Greaves — Seal.

John Pennyng
Peter Barton
Richd Stevens

Whereas I Thomas Greaves haveing made my last will and Testament bearing date the Thirteenth day of January on board Ship *Severn* oute att Sea, in the Year of our Lord 1719-20 wherein I gave and bequeathed unto my slave boay named Kuttee Kelly his freedom; but considering the ile consiquence, which attends youth at his years when att there own Liberty doe think fitt to revoke the said article and Insteed thereoff doe give and bequeath unto Captain Henry Cave the service of the say'd boay Kuttee Kelly for the term of Tenn years at the Expiration of which time, the boay is to commence his Freedum, as for the Legacy of one hundred Thirty Pagodas willed and bequeathed him, I will that it stand good and to be pay'd to the said Captain Henry Cave and by him to the boay att the commencing of his Freedom hereby ratyfying and Confirming all and every other article and articles leagacy and leagacies as mentioned in the will aforegoing desireing that this present writeing may be taken and deemed as a Codicill annexed to my Will and as a parte thereoft in witness of which I have hereunto set my hand and Seal, done on board Ship *Severn* in Cannanore Road this 13th of Febry 1719-20.

Signed Sealed and delivered by the Testator as a Codicill to his last Will & Testament in the Presents of us — Thos. Greaves. — Seal.

John Pennyng.
Peter Barton.
Richd Stevens.

Declaration of Witness.

Peter Barton one of the Witnesses to the last Will and Testament of Thomas Greaves appeared before us the President & Councill in Bengall for Affaires of the Honble United Company of Merchants of England tradeing to the East Indies, in the Consultation Room in Fort William this 23rd day of June 1720 & being sworn on the Holy Evangelists declares upon Oath that he (and the other two Witnesses John Pennyng and Richard Stevens, the former of which is gone on a Voyage to England and the latter to Bussora) saw the Testator Signe Seal and declare this to be his last Will and Testament and that he Saw each of them signe as Witnesses and that the Testator was then in his perfect Senses.

1447.—EXPLANATION TO THE NABOB.

Monday, June 27th.

In a Generall Letter from Cossimbuzar dated the 20th Inst. Mr. Deane &ca. advise us that Mahmud John [Muḥammad Jān] Generall of the Nabobs Forces & his great Favourite had sent to them to enquire the truth of this alarum, the Hugly Government had so maliciously spread up and down the country of our Intrenching ourselves round our Towns on which they gave him a Letter of the Truth of this affair which he has carried to the Nabob.

1448.—DISPOSAL OF BROAD CLOTH.

June 27th.

The Broadcloth sent to that Factory having been there ever since it was last settled, upon their examining the bales they find the Cloth much damaged with spotts and moth eaten, not being able to put any off as Dadney [*dādnī*], they request their broaker might take it off their Hands, who has offerd to bring Goods in for the amount provided he may have it at the Calcutta price allowing the Difference off Batta [*baṭṭa*] and Liberty to send it to Patna.

Considering the Gentlemen at Patna have wrote for two hundred bales which we designe to send them as soon as the Europe ships arrive we judge it more our Honble Masters Interest that it be sent thither on their Accounts, least it being damaged might be anyways prejudiciall to the sale of the whole and that we put a Seperate mark on those Bales and advise them of the same.

AGREED We write Mr. Deane &ca. this our Resolution and that he forthwith repack the bales and return them by the first good conveyance of boats that he dispatches towards us.

1449.—THE UNSEAWORTHINESS OF THE *CRAGGS*.

Monday, June 27th.

By the *King George* we receivd a Generall from Fort St. George dated the 13th Inst. advising that from the Encouragement of their Cheif at Moco Moco they intended to attempt the resettlement of Fort Malbro' and had appointed Mr. Joshua Draper Supervisor on the *Craggs* frigott, but by the Captains Representation the Ship proved not in a Condition for the service of the Honble Company as want of Provisions and leaky withall wherefore they have protested against her for those defaults, and that the Commander was bound down here to refitt his Ship and

qualifie her to receive a ladeing on board which they desire we would give her and dispatch her for England.

1450.—WILL OF JOSEPH RICKETTS.

Monday, June 27th. The last Will and Testament of Joseph Ricketts Inhabitant of this place who dyed in the Maldevies was now produced by Robt. Lavers[1] one of the Trustees thereof.

Copy of Joseph Ricketts Will.

In the Name of God Amen I Joseph Ricketts of Callecutta Marenar Being in perfith helth and memry thanks be to God for it, But calling to mind the Unsertinety of this Transitory Life, and that tis appointed for all men once to die, I doe here by make & or Daine this to be my last will and Testament, that is to say princably and ffirst of all, I give and recomend my Soule In to the hands of God that gaue it, and as for my bodey, I recomend it to the Erth or Sea to be decantly buried at the Discretion of my Exeeters hereafter named nothing douting but at the Generall Day of Resurection to reciue the same a gaine by the mighty powr of God, and as tuching such worldly Estate as it hath plesed allmighty God to bless me with in this Liffe, I giue Deuise and dispose of the same In the folowing maner and form, Imprimis, I giue to my slaue boy manewell his ffreedom and fifty Rupees to be raised out of my Estate, and after the Fore said Legacy and funrall Charges is discharged and satisfied, I doe apoint and by these presents giue and bequeaue the all and Eurey thing I am now worth in the World to my well beloued Child, Anne Ricketts and her mother Checka, I giue deuise and dispose of the same to my well beloued Child and har Mother as before said all and Eurey thing that I am now worth, and shall here after be proued to belong to me, as houses land gould Siluer Joys Jewels Housalstof wearing a parel Slaues and all what elce doe belong to me boath share and share a like and I doe hereby ordaine and make my well beloued freinds Robert Laurs and John Cooler my trustees of this my last will and testement to doe and actt as Thay shall think fitt for the Seceurity of both Child and Mother and Especually for the Saftey of my Child In Case the mother should Missbehaue herselfe or wast what is beloning to the Child, on aduice of which by these presents of this my last will and Testament to share all what so Euer is by me left them and put to the best Euse for the good of the Child the Mother Regectm [? rejecting] and not to be minded, on Consideration of which I a Low out of all I Leue them five Per Cent to these my Trustees, I doe hereby uterly disalow Reuoak and Disanoll all and Eurey other formar Testaments wills and Legasies and Executors, confirming this and none other but this to be my last Will and Testament, witness hereof I have Sett my hand and seale this twenty fourth day of June one Thousand Seuen hundred and nineteen being

[1] The Company's cooper and keeper of a punch-house.

the yeare of our Lord, seled signed and published by the Testator as his last Will and testament In the presents of us the Subscribors here In Callecutta where no stampt paper is to be had.

Which so ever of the two Ether Child or Mother shall plese God to Surviue before the Child is Seven years old the other shall In Joy the whole supstance after which the Child shall do what shee plese with har owne.

Wm. Buddicum
John Muston

Jos Ricketts

Seal.

Declaration of Witness.

William Buddicum one of the Witnesses to the last will and Testament of Joseph Ricketts deceased appearing before us the President & Councill in Bengall for affairs of the Honble United Company of Merchants of England tradeing to the East Indies the 27th day of June 1720 in the Consultation Room in Fort William and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists declares upon Oath That he saw the Testator signe seal and declare this to be his last will and Testament, he also declares that he Saw the other Witness John Muston who is now absent signe as a Witness and that the Testator was then in his perfect Senses.

1451.—PUBLIC HOUSES NOT TO TRUST SHIP PEQPLE NOR ALLQW DEBTS.

Monday, July 4th.

Severall Complaints having formerly been made by our Europe Commanders of their People running in Debt to publick houses sometimes to near the amount of their Wages, who afterwards desert and very often weaken their Ships Company.

Agreed That Publick Notice be given in writing on the Fort Gates to all Sellers of Victualls or any persons who are licensed to keep Publick Houses of Entertainment that any debt exceeding the sum of five Rupees shall not be allowed of from any Shipping People, unless with Liberty from their Commanders, and to prevent any abuse by such demands on the Estate of deceased persons.

Agreed no debts be allowed of to Publick Houses for Liquors, &ca. Exceeding the sum of twenty Current Rupees unless Sufficient proof appear by Bonds or notes under the hands of the deceased, and that no Debts whatever contracted by Gameing be allowed off or discharged.

1452.—ACCOUNT OF THE SALE OF JOHN STEVENS'S GOODS.

Thursday, July 7th.

Mr. William Spencer, late Buxey [*bakhshi*] now brought in an Account of Goods and Effects sold at Outcry belonging to John Stevens who run away from the Company's Sloops, vizt.

			r.
2 boats...	...	Mr. Gammon ...	... 8
a Dwelling House		Mr. Spencer ...	... 201
a Boat ...	...	Capt. Dabbadie ...	... 5
a Budgrow	...	Ramchund ...	... 32
			241
		Commission 5 pr. ct.	... 12 — 9
			Rupees 228 15 3

Dr. *John Stevens.* *Cr.*

To Mr. Stackhouse the Ballance of his Accott.		41	5	By the Net amount of his Outcry Act.	228 15 3
To Cash paid for 9 mo. Diet @ 4 Mads. Rupees per mo. is 36 Mads. Rupees with 10 pr. ct. Batta [*bhatta*]	...	39	9 6		
To Mr. Labat paid him in part of 220 Rupees	...	148	0 9		
		228	15 3		

FORT WILLIAM
The 7th July, 1720.

1453.—OLD STORES TO BE SOLD.

Thursday, July 7th.

Mr. Waterworth Collett Storekeeper now laid before us an Account of severall Stores broke worn out and useless which remained on ballance.

AGREED That they be sold at Publick Outcry for the most they will fetch.

Account Sunday Stores broke wore out and Useless, Viz^{t}.

Hammers 20, Saws 5, Fifles 118, Augers 7, bitts 9, Malletts 2, is		171
Plains 102, Broad Chizells & Gouges 50, Sawsetts, 16	...	168
Compass 1, Knobs of Caulkline 3, pincher Shate chains, 2	...	6
Two foot rules 2, Pinchers 5, Punches 10, Drawing knives 2	...	19
Wimble braces & bitts 3, Wimbles 3, Buxeris 5, braces 4	...	15
Screw plates 4, Jonters 2, Drift pin 1, d^{o}. hook 2, Screws 4	...	13
Caulkin Irons 3, ditto Mallets 1, Smothing knife 1, Plyers 2	...	7
Old Chezills 4, Bench Screw 1, Scraper 1	...	6
Peices	...	395

Goods receivd from Banjar.

Log Lines	...	...	...	...	...	798
Tarr Brushes	...	...	...	...	...	20
						818

1454.—OPPOSITION TO THE BĀHRAH SAYYADS.

Monday, July 11th. The 8th Instant receiv'd a Letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson and Thomas Falconer at Patna dated the 25th Ultimo. They write the Chuckwars [Chakwārs] continue very strong and desire that we will send a strong party of Souldiers to convoy the boats, Nazamulmook [Niẓāmu-l-Mulk] one of the great Omrahs [*umarā*] has gatherd great forces in the Ducan [Dakhin] Country and has openly declared against the Syuds [Sayyads] who (as they advise) have since endeavour'd to pacifie him with an offer of that Government, but is much doubted whither he will accept thereof, the whole Kingdom continues discontented with these two ministers and are resolv'd to seek all means for their Destruction.[1]

1455.—HINDRANCES AT CASSIMBAZAR.

Monday, July 11th. Yesterday receivd a Generall from Mr. Deane &c^{a}. at Cossimbuzar dated the 5th Instant advising that they have deliver'd the Letter to the Nabob as was agreed to write him in Consultation of the 23rd Ult^{o}. but that the Goverment still continue very troublesome and that the Putcherry[2] Droga [*dārōghah*] stops and hinders the Merchants from bringing in their goods, which we suppose to arise from the representation the Hugly Phowsdar [*faujdār*] has given of our new road.

[1] Niẓāmu-l-Mulk, governor of Mālwah, had invaded the Dakhin, crossing the Narbadā by the Akbarpur ford, on the 27th April 1720 O.S.

[2] Putcherry is a word of obscure origin supposed to represent the Tamil *paṟash-shēri*, the quarter or outskirts of a town or village where pariahs reside. Latterly in the Bengal Presidency the name was applied to the cottages in which the married soldiers were quartered. The Putcherry *dārōghah* was a sort of town inspector.

1456.—TROUBLES AND ALARMS.

Thursday, July 14th

The 12th Instant receiv'd a Letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson and Thomas Falconer at Patna, dated the 1st of this month confirming what mention'd in Consultation of the 11th Instant and as expected that Nazamulmulk [Niẓāmu-l-Mulk] had refused the Phirmaund [*farmān*] and Seerpaw [*sar-o-pā*] sent him by the King for the Government of the Decan [Dakhin] Countrey, returning answer that it came from the Syeds [Sayyads] who kept the King prisoner from whom he hoped to deliver him and restore the Kingdom to its Former Freedom, and would then submitt to his Majesties Commands for which he now took up arms and is at the head of a very formidable army, and it is thought matters are grown to too great a height to be accommodated without bloodshed.

We find the alarum of our new road has reached them, we suppose by some ffreighted Merchants advices which seems to put them under some uneasie tho' groundless Apprehensions of meeting troubles in their affairs.

1457.—REBUKE TO THE CREDULITY AND TIMIDITY OF THE PATNA COUNCIL.

July 14th.

AGREED that we Immediately write to Patna and Severely Check them for their credulousness and shewing themselves terrifyed at any Rumour that flyes through the Country and that they might have been assured had there any thing happen'd here that could have molested their affairs, we should have given them our necessary orders and directions for their future management which they ought to have expected and waited for, and not Shew'd any timorousness before even their own Servants who betray them to the Officers of the Government, who are never wanting to embroil their affairs, and extort money if they Can by any means frighten them into a Complyance. They advise of one of the Honble Companys Petre Boats being oversett in a squall comeing from Minapere to Futtua [Fatūhā] in which was 60 bags and 43 were intirely lost.

1458.—ZAMĪNDĀRI ACCOUNT FOR MAY, 1720.

Thursday, July 14th.

Mr. John Eyre Jemindar [*zamīndār*] now brought in the Account Revennues for the month of May, the gross amount whereof being Three Thousand one hundred twenty nine Rupees one anae three pyce.

Orderd That it pass Errors Excepted and be deliverd the Accountant the ballance Two Thousand seven Hundred seventy one Rupees fourteen anaes being paid into Cash.

1459.—IMPORTWAREHOUSEKEEPER'S ACCOUNT FOR JUNE, 1720.

Monday, July 18th.

Mr. William Spencer Importwarehousekeeper now deliver'd in an Account of what goods sold out of that warehouse in the month of June, Viz^{t}.

Broad Cloth fine by retail			
2 yds. Red @ 4 : 14 per yard ...	9 12		
5 d^{o}. Scarlett 7-8	37 8		
na			
5·4 blew 5	26 4	73	8
12·4			
Cutlary ware, 1 Knife Ivory Handle		2	
md. sr. ch. r. a.			
Lead 21 6 8 @ 4 2 per M^{d}.		87	4 9
Goods bo^{t}. of the old Comp.			
sr. r.			
Red Laed 27 at 20 per M^{d}.		13	8
Velvetts and Silks, Viz^{t}.			
na. r. s.			
3½ of white & Gold Brocade @ 26 7			
per yd.	5 12 6		
3 8 Velvett	28 4 6		
		34	1
White Lead 10sr. at 10 rs. per Maund ...		2	8
Goods bought of the new Company			
lb. oz. a.			
Flint ware 1 10 @ 13½ per oz.		1	6
lb. oz.			
do. 1 11		1	7 6
yd. r. a.			
Worsted Cambletts 7 @ 1 9 per yd. ...		10	15
Rupees ...		226	10 3

1460.—MERCHANTS TO LAND NO GOODS OUT OF THE COMPANY'S BOUNDS.

Monday, July 25th.[1]

The 21st Inst. receiv'd a Letter from Mr. Harry Clare at Ballasore dated the 13th advising that the *Charles* and *London* Sloops went upwards with an English Europe Ship the 11th and that a French Europe Ship arriv'd in the

[1] There was an annular eclipse of the sun on July 24. July 26, 27 was the *Idu-l-fitr*.

road the 12th. To prevent any abuse of our Dusticks [*dastaks*] and our Merchants trading with the French Company.

ORDER'D that our Broker Barnarseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh] immediately do caution our Merchants by publickly declareing in the presence of them all that in case any of them should land any goods whatever that may come from the Severall Aurungs [*aurangs*] with our Dusticks [*dastaks*] at Hugly Chandernagur or any other place but Calcutta, upon being detected the goods shall not only be forfeited but the Merchant further fin'd and them and their familys turn'd out from under our Protection.

1461.—CHARGES GENERAL FOR JUNE, 1720.[1]

July 25th. The Charges Generall for the month of June having lain from the 14th Inst. for perusall and being carefully examin'd amounting to Ten Thousand one hundred sixty Rupees, twelve anaes and three pyce, Particulars, vizt.

				r.	a.	p.
To Charges Generall	...	...	...	1073	13	6
„ Do. Dyet	...	...	...	1108	15	
„ Do. Repairations		...	...	265	4	6
„ Pylots Wages & Seamen in monthly pay			...	586	8	
„ Charges Cattle	...	...	...	212	15	
Military Vizt.						
Officers & Soldiers pay month June		3070				
The Gunner & Gunroom Crew	...	568	3			
Repairation & Petty Charges	...	547	6 9			
				4185	9	9
Charges Budgerows	...	...	...	95	6	9
Cossimbuzar Sloop	...	...	...	1207	8	6
London Sloop	...	...	...	81	5	9
Charles Sloop	...	...	...	33	14	
Petty Stores	...	...	...	87	14	3
Servants wages in monthly pay		...	...	868	1	3
Charges Oxen	...	...	...	34	2	
Do. Hogs	...	...	...	22	3	6
Do. Merchandize	...	...	...	164		6
Durbar [*darbār*] Charges		...	....	55	8	
Ballasore Factory	...	...	...	77	10	
		Rupees	...	10160	12	3

[1] See the explanations at § 1090 above.

1462.—GOVINDPUR GROUND RENT PAID.

Monday, July 25th.

There being four months Ground Rent due the last of Aprill for part of Govindpore [Govindpur] in the Purgunna [*pargaṇā*] of Pican [Paikān] & Calcutta One hundred and three Rupees which being now demanded by Ramchund [Rāmchand] Crowrie [*karoṛi*].

AGREED the President pay the same as also an Errour of Four Rupees Six anaes which was paid short last September for Govindpore [Govindpur] in the Purgunna [*pargaṇā*] of Calcutta, when paid thirty three Rupees, but should have been thirty Seven Rupees four anaes, the difference now paid is four Rupees Six anaes, and that the Collector Be presented with half a Rupee.

1463.—WILL OF ISAAC BERKELEY.

July 25th.

The Last Will and Testament of Isaac Berkely Inhabitant of this place was now produced before the Board by Messrs. John Eyre and John Stackhouse Trustees thereof.

Copy of Isaac Berkely's Will.

In the Name of God Amen, I Isaac Berkely Merchant Inhabitant of Calcutta in Bengall, being in good health of body & of Sound and perfect mind and memorey praise be therefore given to Almighty God do make and ordaine this my last will Testament in manner and form following (that is to say) first and principally I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God hopeing through the meritts death and passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon and forgiveness of all my sins and to inherritt Everlasting Life, and my body I committ to the Earth to be decently buried att the discretion of my Executors hereafter named, and as touching the disposition of all such temporell Estate as it hath pleased God to bestow upon me, I give and dispose thereof as followeth.

First I will that my Debts, and funerall charges shall be paid and discharged.

Item I give for the defraying of all Charges relating to my funerall twelve Hundred Rupees Currant.

Item I give unto the Church of Calcutta towards the maintenance of a School for the edifying of poor orphant Children two thousand Rupees Current, And unto the Charity School of Madrass One Thousand Rupees Curr^{t}.

Item I give unto the present two Children of my Daughter in Law Mary Vera the Wife of Manuel Vera of Chandernagor each of them two Thousand Rupees Curr^{t}. but it shall be at Interest till they are of Age, or if either of them should die before they are of age the surviving Child shall have the portion of the deceased and unto Mary Vera the Wife of Manuell Vera one Thousand Rupees Curr^{t}. for a ring and mourning.

JOHN STACKHOUSE.

Item I give unto Mr. John Eyre and Mr. John Stackhouse my very good friends whome I appoint and desire to be the Trustees or Overseers of this my last will and Testament each of them Three Hundred Rupees Curr^{t}. for the produce of each of them a Diamond Ring, and also all the debts and Effects that is due to me from Captain Charles Perring, and George Penuse, to be equally divided between them.

Item I give unto Mr. Richard Eyre one hundred and fifty Rupees Current for the produce of a Ring.

Item I give unto Mrs. Mary Hopkins Three Hundred Rupees Current for the produce of a Ring.

Item I give unto the poor One Hundred Rupees to be given to each poor person five Seer of Rice and four annaes of Cowries.

Item I give unto m$\bar{y}$ servant Morricia her freedom and two hundred Rupees and also my Servant Diana her freedom and one hundred Rupees Curr^{t}.

Item I give unto my Servant Terrasia her freedom and fifty Rupees.

Item I give unto my Servant Antoney and her Child their freedom and Eighty Rupees, and also my boy Francis his freedom and fifty Rupees Current.

Item I give unto my Servant Johanna her Freedom and thirty Rupees and unto my Servants Christena and Lessardo their Freedom when they are of age and each of them fifty Rupees Current.

Item I will and order that a handsome flatt Pucker Tomb be erected over my grave cover'd at top with a handsome stone on which I desire to be Cutt my Coat of Arms, name age and date of the Year, this must be cutt and sent for from Madrass, this I desire to be done in respect of my name and Family from whence descended and unto each of them which shall bear my Pall to the Grave a plain Gold Ring.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Mary Berkeley two Thousand Rupees to be at her disposall for Ever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my loving Wife Mary Berkeley my Dwelling Houses, goods and furniture, and all her Jewells and plate gold, or Silver wearing apparrell Slaves, &c^{a}. all for the term of life and no longer and after her decease all the aforesaid Houses goods and furniture Jewells plate &c^{a}. (except the Slaves to whom I give their Liberty) to be publickly Sold and the produce to be brought to my personall estate.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Mary Berkeley the Interest of Ten Thousand Rupees to enjoy and possess during the term of her Life and no longer, and after her decease then I will and order as followeth, I give unto the Parish Church of Great St. Hellins in Bishopsgate Street four thousand Rupees Current.

Item I give unto the Parrish Church of Algate three Thousand Rupees Current.

Item I give and bequeath the rest Residue and remainder of my Estate more or less to Christ Church Hospitall in Smithfield and I do hereby revoke disannull and make void all former wills and Testaments by me heretofore made, In Witness whereof I the Said Isaac Berkeley to this my last Will and Testament

have sett my hand and Seal in Calcutta being the eighteen day of June in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and twenty.

Signd Seald and declared in the presence of us where no Stamp Paper is to be had.

ISAAC BERKELEY. Seal.

RICHD. WILLIAMS
JOHN WALSH
ROBT. WILLIAMS

Richard Williams John Walsh and Robert Williams the Witnesses to the last will and testament of Mr. Isaac Berkeley deceas'd appearing before us the President and Councill in Bengall for Affairs of the Honble United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies in the Consultation Room in Fort William this 25th day of July and being sworne on the Holy Evangelists declare upon oath that they Saw the Testator signe seal and declare this to be his last will and Testament and that they saw each other signe as Witnesses and that the Testator was [illegible] Sences.

1464.—ARRIVAL OF THE *CARDIGAN*.

Thursday, July 28th. This morning Mr. Phillip Mitchell came up from Ship *Cardigan* with the Honble Companys Packett which being open'd contains the following Papers, Vizt Companys Generall Letter to Bengall dated 19 December 1719 etc. etc.

This evening arriv'd the *Charles* Sloop before the Fort who brought up Captain Henry Glegg Commander of Ship *Cardigan* and 25 Chests of the Honble Companys Treasure, John Cassells Pylot Acquaints us that said Ship arriv'd in Ballasore Road the 11th July and that he brought her to an Anchor at Rogues River the 27th.

1465.—PRESENTS REQUIRED AT CASSIMBAZAR.

Monday, August 1st. The 29th Ultimo receiv'd a Generall Letter from Mr. John Deane &ca. at Cossimbuzar dated the 23rd. They advise that the Putcherry[1] Droga [*dārōghah*] having for sometime past stopt all boats and business by putting Peons on the Merchants they were at length obliged to give him Four Hundred Sicca Rupees on which the boats were cleared and Peons taken off and he has promised not to molest them this whole Season, but still the Mutsuddys [*mataṣaddīis*] and Durba [*darbār*] Officers continue very troublesome for want of their Customary presents.

[1] See § 1455, p. 246.

1466.—BROADCLOTH AND TIN SENT TO PATNA.

August 1st. It growing late in the Season and high time to dispatch our Fleet to Patna in order to convoy our Salt Petre boats Down,

ORDERD That the Importwarehousekeeper do lade on board the boats Ten Chests of Bullion and the following goods with all Convenient Expedition, Viz$^{t.}$

All the ordinary Green Broad Cloth now in the Godowns
Twenty Bales Aurora
Five ditto Scarlett
Two Peices Superfine Scarlett
Two Peices D$^{o.}$ Yellow
Two Hundred Peices Perpetuannoes Scarlett.

The above is what they desire in their Letter dated the 15 May but as we have not near the quantity of ordinary green they write for

AGREED That we add to the above all the broad Cloth now receiv'd from Cossimbuzar being 36 bales of Severall Sorts, viz$^{t.}$

5 Bales Scarlett
20 Bales Aurora
11 Bales ordinary Green.

And that the Warehousekeeper put a Seperate mark on them as orderd in Consultation the 27 June.

The Europe Tin that came by the *King William* not being what our Merchants here are acquainted with and the price of that Commodity being near twenty p$^{r.}$ c$^{t.}$ better at Patna,

AGREED That we send the same by this conveyanee to be sold there.

1467.—CAPTAIN BLAKE REPORTS THE READINESS OF THE *CRAGGS*.

August 1st. Captain Thomas Blake Commander of Ship *Craggs* Frigott now wrote a Letter to this board acquainting us that his Ship was now fitting to receive the Honble Companys effects aboard.

ORDERD That the Secritary acquaint him that we should deferr our answer till the arrivall of a Ship from Fort S$^{t.}$ George which we Hourly expect.

Copy of Captain Blake's Letter.

To the Honble SAMUELL FEAKE' Esqr. President &c^a. Councill of Fort William. Honoured Sir and Sirs

This Serves to acquaint your Honour &c^a. that since my arrivall here I have thoroughly Searched the Ship *Crags* Frigot by ripping of the bants and Searching the Butts and Scarves and have found that which at Madrass they determined to be the Leak which is thoroughly Stopt and the Ship new Caulked so that I now take leave to acquaint your Honours that said Ship is in every respect in a fitt Condition for receiving the Honble Companys goods, and doubt not she'll be accounted so whenever your Honour &c^a. shall think fitt to order a Survey on her which I now request that my owners may be no further Sufferers.

I am with all Respect
Honble Sir and Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servant
THOMAS BLAKE.

Calcutta, August the 1st, 1720.

1468.—BROKER TO SUMMON THE MERCHANTS.

Monday, August 1st. The List of Investment for this Year being arriv'd by Ship *Cardigan* and M^r. James Williamson Export-warehousekeeper having compared the Same with what contracted for in the month of Aprill as per Consultation of the 4th of said month,

AGREED That our Broker do immediately summons our Merchants to contract for what further order'd and that the additional List be drawn up and entred.

1469.—DEFEAT OF THE SAYYADS BY NIẒĀMU-L MULK.

Tuesday, August 2nd. Just now receiv'd advices from Pattna under date the 24th Ult^o. confirming the news of Nazamulmoolek [Niẓāmu-l-mulk] defeating the Syeds [Sayyads] forces in the Decan Countrey and dayly growing more powerfull.[1]

[1] This must refer to the defeat of the Sayyads' general, Sayyad Dilāwar 'Alī Khān, on the 8th June 1720 O.S. The battle was fought in the hilly country to the north-east of Burhāmpur. Dilāwar 'Alī Khān, Rāo Bhīm Singh, Hāḍā, of Bondī, and Rājah Gaj Singh, of Narwar, lost their lives. Tod in his *Rajasthan*, with his usual inaccuracy, tells us that the battle was fought in the broken ground along the Sind river in Mālwah, some hundreds of miles from the true spot.

1470.—TWO HUNDRED EUROPEAN SOLDIERS REQUIRED TO GUARD THE WAY TO PATNA.

August 2nd. They advise the Chowckwārs [Chakwārs] are come to a great head and as there is no King obey'd, all Jemindars [*zāmīndārs*] &c^{a}. that can gather to-gather any force, plunder and rob where they can overpower wherefore they desire we wou'd encrease the party design'd to convoy our Honble Masters boats to and from them. As the Chowckwars [Chakwārs] during these times can at very little warning double their numbers, wherefore

ORDER'D that we send two hundred European Centinals under the command of Major Richard Hunt a Lieutenant and two Ensigns &c^{a}. Officers which will be thirty men more than sent last year and sufficient to guard the boats and resolv'd we dispatch them with all expedition considering the rains have fallen very heavy this Season and the Fresh very strong in the river.

1471.—DEATH OF MR. SAMUELL BROWNE.

Tuesday, August 2nd. This morning departed this Life M^{r}. Samuel Browne.

1472.—BROKER TO PROCURE 13000 MADRAS RUPEES AT INTEREST.

Thursday, August 4th. The Ballance now remaining in Cash being mostly in Chequeeens and we being in immediate want of rupees to advance the boats and Soldiers now on their departure for Patna.

AGREED that the Broker procure us thirteen thousand Madrass rupees at Interest to be paid again in the same specie, on the arrival of our first Ship from Fort S^{t}. George for the following reasons, First that we can put off the Chequeens as Dadney [*dādnī*] to our Merchants for one anna each more than they will pass in any other payments. Secondly that we know by experience the Shroffs [*ṣarrāfs*] will always greatly impose on us in the price of Silver when they know we are necessitated to buy rupees for our expences, add to this the lateness of the Season and the want our Merchants are in for their Dadney [*dādnī*] of which they have as yet receiv'd no more than ten p^{r}. Cent on our first contract before the additionall List now contracted for, and the Investment order'd this year very large if they are not now supply'd the

French who as reported have brought large Stocks of Bullion will undoubtedly gain the preferance at the Aurungs [*aurangs*], Wherefore

ORDER'D that ten Chests be sent to Patna and the remaining forty chests be given our Merchants which with what before advanced will be but 23. 10. 6 p$^{r.}$ c$^{t.}$ on the dadney [*dādnī*] goods contracted for this Season.

1473.—MERCHANTS ALLOWED INTEREST.

Thursday, August 4th.

Our Merchants are now very clamarous for their Arrears due to them which amounts to rupees 268898. 7. 3 and is as follows.

Remaining due to severall Merchants on making up their Accounts before the Dadney [*dādnī*] for the ensuing Investment; remaining due to sundry Merchants on the close of the books	136982. 11. 6
Dadney [*dādnī*] advanc'd for the ensuing Investment charg'd to their Acco$^{ts.}$ in these books	154527. 8
	291510. 3. 6
Deduct what due from severall Merchants that is what the sum paid them for Dadney [*dādnī*] was more than the Sum then due to them Acco$^{t.}$ goods deliver'd	22611. 12. 3
Rupees ...	268898. 7. 3

ORDER'D that the Broker acquaint them we are obliged to give out what now arriv'd for this years Dadney [*dādnī*] and that on the arrivall of the next ship their Ballances shall be discharged or they allow'd Interest (they now give to the Shroffs [*ṣarrāfs*] for money to go on with their merchandize) to commence from this day.

1474.—SUNDRY STORES SOLD AT OUTCRY.

Thursday, August 4th.

M$^{r.}$ Waterworth Collett Storekeeper now brought in the Account of sundrey Stores broke worne out and useless sold at Publick Outcry as per Order of Consultation the 7th Ult$^{o.}$ amounting to rupees thirty five thirteen annaes three Pyce, Vis$^{t.}$

Account Sale of Sundry Stores broke worne out and useless sold at Publick Outcry belonging to the Hon. United East India Company.

Hammers 20, Saws 5, Files 118, Augers 7, Bitts 9, Malletts 12, in all peices ...	171	Mr. Cooke	8 7
Plains 102, Broad Chizels & Gouges 50 ...	152		
Sawsets 6, Compasses 1, Knobs Chaulklines 3	10	Harrykissen [Harikishn]	8 10
Pinchers hat chains 2, two foot rools 2, ...	4		
Pinchers 5, Punches 10, drawing knifes 2,	17		
Wimble braces & bitts 3, Wymbles 3, Buxeries 5	11		
Braces 4, Screw plates 4, Joynters 2, drift pin 1	11	Ditto	8 4
Hooks 2, Screws 4, Caulking Irons 3 ...	9		
Caulking Mallets 1, Smoothing knife 1, Plyers 2	4		
Old Chisles 4, Bench Screw 1, Scraper 1 ...	6		

Logg lines rotton ...	100	Capt. Woodhouse ...	1 8
ditto ditto ...	78	Gopechund [Gopichand]	10 3
ditto ditto ...	100	Harrykissen [Harikishn]	1 6
ditto ditto ...	100	ditto ...	1 8
ditto ditto ...	100	ditto ...	1 10
ditto ditto ...	100	ditto ...	1 10
ditto ditto ...	100	Captain Woodhouse ...	1 2
ditto ditto ...	100	Harrykissen [Harikishn]	1 2
ditto ditto ...	20	ditto ...	3
	798		
Tan brushes	20	Gopechund [Gopichand]	4
		Rupees ...	35 13 3

1475.—STOREKEEPER'S ACCOUNT FOR JULY 1720.

Thursday, August 4th. Mr. Waterworth Collett Storekeeper now deliver'd in an Accoount of what Stores sold out of that Warehouse in the month of July amounting to one thousand and six rupees twelve annaes six pyce, Particulars Vizt.—

Iron Europe sold to Sundrys		r.	a.
c. qr. lb. rs.			
88 2 14 @ 9 pr. cwt.		797	10
Iron Mongers Ware Vizt.			
Nails Europe sold Sundrys	r. a.		
m. sr. r. a. p.			
2 10 at 13 5 6 per Md.	30 6		
Stock locks Mr. Loyd 3 ps. 1, ea.	3		
		33	6
Carried over ...		830	10 6

		r.	s.
	Brought over ...	830	10 6
Goods bought of the Old Company			
1 Anchor sold Sahe Olley			
cwt. qrs. lbs. r.			
pz. 11 2 27 @ 15 pr. cwt.		176	2
	Rupees ...	1006	12 6

1476.—DESPATCHES RECEIVED BYTHE *DUKE OF YORK.*

Monday, August 8th.

The 5th Instant receiv'd advices of the *Duke of York's* arrival on which Mr. Thomas Braddyll was order'd down to Rogues River to bring up the Packquett who arriv'd this morning in Company with Captain Robert Hyde, the Pacquett being open'd contained the following Papers, Vizt. Companys Generall Letter to Bengall dated 3rd February 1719-20 etc. etc.

The *Duke of York* touching at Madrass brought us the *Duke of Cambridge's & Derbey's* Packquets.

1477.—STEPHENSON AND FALCONER TAKEN INTO COUNCIL.

Tuesday, August 9th.

This day being mett again to consider our Honble Masters Orders receiv'd yesterday per *Duke of York* And observing how they have appointed the Council of this Board Mr. Samuel Browne who is order'd as Fifth being as per Consultation of the eight December 1719 being dismiss'd the Honble Companys Service for breach of Trust and since on the second Inst. departed this life, And Mr. Michael Coatesworth being in our Consultation of the ninth January last laid aside as not capacitated to take the charge of any Post of Trust, We are unanamously of opinion that we can by no means reinstate him here before our Honble Masters are acquainted with our reasons for putting him by and he by industry and constant application to business quallifye himself better for the Honble Companys Service.

This occasions two Vacanceys at our Board and the Honble Court of Directors having not further objected against Messrs. Spencer and Eyre's than by ordering Messrs. Stephenson and Falconer now both at Patna to succeed before them.

AGREED that they are now taken in as Eight and Ninth at this Board, and that at the end of the month those Gentlemen prepare

as soon as possible to deliver up their present charge of Import Warehousekeeper and Jamindar [*zamindār*] according to the Rule and Form now order'd in the seventy sixth paragraph of their Generall Letter per the *Duke of York* receiv'd yesterday.

1478.—SHIP *CRAGGS* TO BE SURVEYED.

Thursday, August 11th.

Captain Thomas Blake having the 1st Inst. deliver'd in his request to have his Ship *Craggs* Friggott survey'd, which we defer'd till the arrivall of a Ship from Madrass in expectation the Govr. &ca. of Fort St. George wou'd have remitted us copy of their protest that We might have seen their perticular reasons for so doing but by the *Duke of York* they write us they desire the *Craggs* may be sent there to joyn company with the *Cardonnell* who they design to dispatch the very beginning of October when at the time the *Craggs* left Madrass they desired us to give her a full loading directly for Europe tho' they sent us no part of her Cargoe either money or goods to enable us to provide one here, and 'twas the first of August when the Captain desired a Survey on her before our Fort William which we have till this day deferr'd for want of knowing the reasons those Gentlemen protested against her, And in the months of August, September and part of October the Currant is so rappid in Bengall River that no Vessel of any burthen can fall down without eminent danger (which is well known to all Persons in India) for which reason no Pylott whatever will take charge of an Europe Ship unless by compultion which can be no ways approv'd of so apparently to hazard our Honble Masters Estates by such impracticable measures.

Order'd that Capt. John Jones Master of Attendance & Henry Cockrom Ship-Carpenter proceed on board Ship *Craggs* Frigott Capt. Thos. Blake Commdr. (now at anchor before this Fort) and survey her and examine her decks espetially her Gunn-decks & leak in her bows that she be well caulkt and tight and whether she be in every respect fitting to receive on board the Honble Companys Cargoe for Europe and that they deliver their report in writing.

1479.—FIVE THOUSAND RUPEES ADVANCED TO MAJOR HUNT.

Thursday, August 11th.

Order'd that the ten chests of Treasure be deliver'd into the charge of Major Richard Hunt and Capt. Nicholas Rowe to be put on board their Budgrows.

AGREED the President advance Major Richard Hunt the sum of five thousand sicca Rupees to pay the Party under his command their Dyett Money and to defray all other charges in his way up to Pattna.

1480.—SŪTĀNUṬĪ GROUND RENT PAID.

August 11th. There being three hundred and twenty Sicca rupees eight annaes due to Sookdeb-Ray [Sukhdeva Rāi] Crowree [*karoṛī*] for four months ground rent of Chuttanutte [Sūtānuṭī] de [*dih*] Callcutta in the Purgunna [*pargaṇā*] of Ameradevatt [Amirābād] in Jaffercawns [Ja'far Khān's] Jaggear [*jāgīr*] due the 1st Inst. also seventy one Sicca rupees due to Juggall Kissore [Jugalkisor] Corowrey [*karoṛī*] for four months ground rent of Govindpoor [Govinpur] in the Purgunna [*pargaṇā*] of Pican [Paikān] which being now demanded.

AGREED the President pay three hundred ninety one rupees eight annas Madrass which is the amount of the above Sums and present the Collectors with one rupee eight annas Madrass as usuall.

1481.—PETITION OF CATHERINE BROWNE.

Thursday, August 11th. Mrs. Catharine Browne the Rellict of Mr. Samuel Browne Deceas'd having sent in a Petition wherein She desires we wou'd send somebody to take an Account of the remainder of his Effects she being resolv'd to surrender and give up everything for the use of his Creditors and to discharge herself.

ORDER'D that Messrs. Waterworth Collett and William Spencer go and take a particular Account thereof and deliver it into the Board.

Copy of Mrs. Catharine Browne's Petition.

To the Honble Samuel Feake Esqr. President & Govr. of Fort William &c. Councill in Bengall.

Honble Sir and Sirs

Having the misfortune to loose my husband, I humbly request the favour of Your Honr. &cs. to send somebody to take an account of the remainder of his Effects which I shall wholly surrender and give up for the use of his Creditors my low circumstances disabling me to clear any of his Debts I do hereby sequester (being ignorant of the Law forme in those cases) every thing and am with due respect.

Hon'le Sir and Sirs
Your most humble Servt.
Catharine Browne.

Calcutta 10th August 1720.

1482.—DIFFICULTIES WITH THE GOVERNMENT AT CASSIMBAZAR.

Friday, August 12th.

Last night receiv'd a Generall letter from Mr. John Deane &c^{a}. at Cossembuzar dated——Inst. advising that notwithstanding they had given the Putchetter[1] Droga [*dārōghah*] four hundred rupees for the clearance of the Boats and Peons taken off by their Merchants That order was countermanded by Atcharge [Āchārya] and that the Nabob has possitively forbid him to suffer us to send any goods from thence or clear any boats belonging to us On which they sent their Broker and Vacquell [*vakil*] to Atcharge [Āchārya] to get him to continue the Puttchetters Drogas [*dārōghah's*] orders for the clearance of our business And on their promissing him a Present he seem'd inclinable but demanded a thousand rupees at last they brought him down to five hundred rupees in money and two hundred rupees in Broad Cloth all which happen'd to no purpose Atcharge [Āchārya] dare not accept the present tho it was carried him for fear it should come to the Nabobs knowledge.

1483.—HENRY CROSS MADE ENSIGN.

August 12th.

Mr. Henry Cross who came out on the *Duke of York* now deliver'd in a Certificate sign'd by Mr. Thomas Woolley Secry wherein it is specified that the Honble Court of Directors have thought fitt to appoint him Ensign of a Company of Foot Soldiers in this place ordering that his Commission be given him here.

Ordr'd that the Secrytary prepair for him an Ensigns Commission to be in Lievtenant Henry Dallibar's Company.

1484.—AN ENGLISH PILOT CARRIES UP A FRENCH SHIP.

Monday, August 15th.

The 13th Inst. receiv'd a letter from Mr. Harry Clare at Ballasore dated the 5th enclosing his Charges Generall and Accot. Curr^{t}. for the month July and requesting a supply of two chests of Treasure to advance the Weavers and that he was inform'd that Freeze one of our Pylotts carried up the French Ship and took the *Cossembuzar* Sloop to attend her.

1485.—DIFFICULTIES CONTINUE AT CASSIMBAZAR.

August 15th.

Yesterday receiv'd a generall letter from Mr. John Deane &c^{a}. at Cossimbuzar dated the 10th inclosing Invoice of ninety nine Bales Raw Silk amounting to fifty eight thousand four hundred seventy rupees five annas nine pyce and

[1] See § 1455, p. 246

a copy of a letter the Hughly Phousdar [*faujdār*] wrote the Nabob in relation to the dispute about the new road that it was not in the Putchetter Drogas [*dārōghah*] power to comply with his promise in clearing the boats &c^{a}. and that they had receiv'd back the four hundred rupees paid him on that account.

1486.—ACCOUNT OF PERSIA FRUIT SOLD AT PUBLI COUTCRY.

Monday, August 15th.

Mr. William Spencer Import Warehousekeeper now deliver'd in an Acco^{t} of Almonds &c^{a}. Persia Fruit sold at Publick Outcry being the remains of what receiv'd from Persia per Ship *Bouverie* amounting to fifty two rupees six annaes.

Acco^{t} Sale of Almonds and Persia Fruit that come from Persia on Ship *Des-bouverie* Capt. Thomas Wotton Commander for Acco^{t} the Hon. Company sold at Outcry in Fort William the 10th July 1720.

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Almonds Ommarchund [Amarchand]		1 Md.	5	1	
Do.		1 „	4	11	
			r.	a.	
Do.		2 @ 4	2	8	4
				r.	
Do.		3·26 @	5	18	4
	Maunds	7	26		36 4
			r.	a.	
Raisons Do.	2 Md. @	4	2		8 15 6
Kissmishes [*kishmish*] Ramkissen [Rāmkishn]	m. s. ch.	r.	a.		
	2 14 12 @	3	6		7 2 6
				Rupees ...	52 6

1487.—SURVEY OF THE *CRAGGS*.

August 15th.

Captain John Jones Master of Attendance and Henry Cockrom Ship Carpenter having according to order of Consultation of 11th Inst. surveighed Ship *Craggs* Friggott now brought in their report.

To the Hon. Samuel Feake Esqr. &c^{a}. Councill.

Monday, 15th Aug.

According to your Orders we have survey'd the *Craggs* Frigott within and without board and find that her Hooden's ends are well shearched The leak in her Bows thoroughly repair'd and her decks well caulked espetially her gun dek which is also batten'd

four streaks in on each side and that She is in all respects a fitt Ship to take on board the Hon. Companys cargoe for Europe.

We are, Hon. Sir and Sirs
Your most obed$^{t.}$ & humble Serv$^{ts.}$
John Jones
Henry Cockrom.

Fort William,
13th Aug. 1720.

1488.—ARRIVAL OF A FRENCH SHIP.

Monday, August 15th. The 13th Inst. pass'd by upwards a French Europe Ship and anchor'd on the other side of the water.

1489.—MERCHANTS BILLS OF DEBT GIVEN TO THE MERCHANTS.

Thursday, August 18th. Our Merchants being very uneasy and dayly complaning for want of the usual advancement on Dadney [*dādni*] besides their last years Arrears due to them considering the French Ship is arriv'd and another dayly expected and that they have already distributed a large sum amongst their Merchants who are all gone to the severall Aurungs [*aurangs*] and will undoubtedly check Our Investment coming in if Our Merchants are not further supply'd.

AGREED that for the present We give them Bills of Debt for their last years ballances according to order of Consultation the 4th Inst. and that the Broker let them know for their encouragement that we will advance them more Dadney [*dādni*] when the rest of Our Ships arrive from Fort S$^{t.}$ George.

1490.—A FRENCH SHIP ARRIVES AT BALASOR.

Thursday, August 25th[1] The 19th Inst. receiv'd a letter from M$^{r.}$ Harry Clare at Ballasore dated the 12th Advising that a French Europe Ship arriv'd in the road the 11th who had left France seven months and toucht at Ponticherry in her way hither.

1491.—*COSSIMBUZAR* BUDGROW TO BE REBUILT.

August 25th. Captain John Jones Master of Attendance and Henry Cockrom Ship Carpenter having survey'd the *Cossembuzar* Budgrow now brought in their report in writing, they find her Timbers so very rotton and her Plank so much decay'd that they judge it will be a needless charge to repair her.

Wherefore ORDER'D that she be rebuilt with all frugality the same house Stores and brass work serving again.

[1] The moon was new on August 22.

1492.—WILL OF TUTCHEN MARTIN.

Thursday, August 25th. The last Will and Testament of Mr. Tutchen Martin Deceased Second Mate of Ship *Craggs* Frigott was now produced before the Board by Mr. Samuel Greenhill the Trustee thereof.

Copy of Mr. Tutchen Martin's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I Tutchen Martin Marriner being on a Voyge to and from the East Indies on board the Ship *Craggs* Friggott and at present am very much indispos'd think it necessary to settle my Affairs least it shou'd pleas'd God to take me from this World, First and principally I recommend my Soul to Almightly God who gave it My Body to the Earth to be decently buried And my worldly Effects I give devise and bequeath as follows, Viz^{t}.

I will and require that all my just Debts and Funerall Charges be paid.

Item I constitute and appoint Samuel Greenhill of Fort William to be Trustee here in India giving him full power to receive and pay all Debts and Charges whatsoever by me made And that he wou'd consign my Estate in the Honble Companys Cash to my dear Brother Bennett Martin whom I appoint my sole Heir and Executor, This being my only true and last Will whereunto I have set my hand and seal this seventh day of August one thousand seven hundred and twenty at Callcutta in the Kingdom of Bengall.

Sign'd seald and declar'd
where no Stampt Paper is
to be had in the presence of us
N. Smith
Thos. Moore
Jno. Handley

Tut^{n} Martin

Seal.

Nathaniel Smith Thomas Moore and John Handley the Witnesses to the last Will and Testament of Mr. Tutchen Martin deceas'd appearing before Us the President and Council in Bengall for Affairs of the Honble United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies the 25th day of August 1720 in the Consultation room in Fort William and being sworne on the Holy Evangelists declare upon oath that they saw the Testator who was then in his Senses sign seal and declare this to be his last Will and Testament and that they saw each other sign as Wittnesses

1493.—THE SECOND FRENCH SHIP PASSES UP.

Thursday, August 25th. The 23rd Inst. past by upwards a Second French Europe Ship and anchor'd the other side of the Water.

1494.—NIẒĀMU-L-MULK IN POSSESSION OF ALL THE DECCAN.

Sunday, August 28th.

The 26th Inst. receiv'd a Letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson and Thomas Falconer at Pattna dated the 6th inclosing their Charges Generall and Cash Accounts for the past months of May June and July And advising that Nazamulmoolk [Niẓāmu-l-Mulk] has taken possession of all Decan and got Allum Ally Cawn ['Ālim 'Alī Khān] Hossin Ally Cawn's [Husain 'Alī Khān's] Nephew Prisoner that Abdul Sumitt Cawn ['Abdu-ṣ-Ṣamad Khān] and Seerbullund Cawn [Sarbuland Khān] are raising Forces in Lahor and Cabul and there seems to be generall combynation against the Syeds [Sayyads] through the Kingdom, The Jemindars [*zamīndārs*] all about as usuall on these occasions grow very insolent and troublesome particular the Chowkwars [Chakwārs] who have got togeather a great Force and are dayly raising more They design to make an attempt on our Fleet and have got a number of Boats to transport their Forces that severall Jemindars [*zamīndārs*] have bound themselves by Oath to assist them.[1]

1495.—CATHARINE BROWNE'S EFFECTS TO BE SOLD.

Thursday, September 1st.

Mrs. Catharine Browne the 10th Ulto. sent us her request that We would appoint somebody to take an Account of the remainder of her Deceased Husbands Effects as by her intended to sequester, Whereupon Messrs. Collett and Spencer were appointed to go and take a particular Account of every thing they found in her house but She being then ill and very much out of order desired they would deferr coming till She gained a better state of health so that it became the thirtieth of said month before they were admitted when they took the following List which She declared was all She was possess'd of.

AGREED that every thing except her Wearing Apparrell be dispos'd of and the produce devided amongst her Creditors.

(*I*) *Answer to Mrs. Browne's Request.*

To Mrs. Catharine Browne,

Madam

We receiv'd under date the 10th Ulto your request to sequester and deliver up all You was possess'd of as Widdow of Mr. Samuel Browne deceas'd in order

[1] The battle with 'Ālim 'Alī Khān was fought on July 29, 1720 O.S., at a place between the villages of Kolharī and Pimprī Gaulī, close to Bālāpur town, in the Akolā district, Lat. 75° 50′, Long. 20° 40′. 'Ālim 'Alī Khān was not made a prisoner, but fell on the field of battle. 'Abdu-ṣ-Ṣamad Khān, governor of Lāhor, and Sarbuland Khān, governor of Kābul, made no sign.

the same may be dispos'd of, and the produce divided amongst his Creditors, but your late Illness prevented those Gentlemen appointed to take an Account of Your Effects waiting on You before the 30th Ulto and We find in all cases of Sequestration the Law directs that a particular account be taken of every individual thing or things as moveables or any necessarys whatever imediately on the decease of the Person indebted which if deferr'd any time will render such sequestration as invalid of no force and therefore as Your deceas'd Husband Mr. Samuel Browne departed this life the 2d August and an account not taken till the 30th of said month we must be of opinion that the Law will not allow that to take place or be of any service as clearing You from future Demands.

We are, Madam,
Your most humble Servants
Samuel Feake
Etc. Etc.

(2) *A List of what things found in Mrs. Browne's House, particulars Vizt.*

Madrass Chairs 12. Couch 1. Tables 2. A Writing Press. 4 old Pictures. A Pallankeen Shell & Bamboo, with 4 silver feet. A Crown Compass. A Glass lanthorn. A board for Armes on which a Doll. A pair Files. An old cloth fann. An old Cott. An Ebony Table. A writing Escrutore and Table. A Wigg box. A great empty chest. 3 Lances. An empty case. A Claps Cott. A Copper frame & Kittchen. A Carpett. A small table. A Chest of draws. A brass work chest. A Glass and dressing table. A small dram Case. A large black press. A small chest and parcell of Books. A Childs Cott. 2 Silver spoons. A knife and fork with silver ferrels. A Quilt. A small looking glass. A small box. 14 chairs & a Couch. 2 pr. Stands & 2 Stools Ebony. A standing Cott & Curtains. A small Cabinett. A flower peice. A few China Begers. A Pallankeen with brass work. A pair Glass Sconces. Cookroom Utensils a Spitt, boiler, scimer, Dish, Ladle, Copper pott & Cover, Saucepan & 4 Seerpooses,[1] 6 Dishes & plates. Wearing Apparrell 2 Gowns and Petticoats, 2 Pr. Shoes, 2 quilted pettycoats, a parcel of old White Linnen, a new black silk pettycoat, a parcell of foul Linning in a black press, and 2 Coats, 4 Sticht Wastecoats & Briches, 3 Gyngham Wastecoats a 6 Pr. of Briches, 10 pair White draws, and 30 new Shirts.
Callcutta 30th August 1720.

1496.—CHANGES IN THE COUNCIL DEFERRED.

Thursday, September 1st. The Honble Companys Ships *Mary* and *Derby* being allready arriv'd from Madrass and the *Duke of Cambridge* being hourly expected which Ships with the *Craggs* being all to return as soon as possible to Fort St. George with part of their Lading for Europe gives us such hurry at this Juncture that

[1] *Sar-posh*, the cover of a dish.

AGREED we deferr making any change in each man's trust at present since on the arrival of One of those Gentlemen now a Patna there must then be another removall.

1497.—THE BOATS FOR PATNA ARRIVE AT MURCHA.

Monday, September 5th.

The 2 Inst. receiv'd a Letter from Major Richard Hunt dated the 28th Ult° advising that the Boats were arriv'd at Old Mircha [Murcha] that every thing was well and the Men in good order.

Ensign Gammon who was dispatch'd with a small Party had clear'd from Diddergung [Dīdārganj] Chowkey [*chauki*] fourteen Boats with the Honble Companys Dusticks [*dastaks*].

1498.—DECISION WITH REGARD TO THE DESPATCH SHIPS.

Monday, September 5th.

The President &c^a^. Councill of Fort S^t^. George having sent us down the *Craggs* Frigott under their Protest (so consequently an empty Ship) at that time requesting we would give her a full Ladeing for Europe tho' afterwards in their letter of the 20th July they desire she may be return'd to them by the 1st October and in their letter by the *Mary* of the 13th August sent us a callculate of the Ships they design to dispatch for England where the *Craggs* is included but soon after in theirs of the 18th said month recomend the *Duke of Cambridge* for a Countrey Voyage as they expect the *Hartford* may arrive them.

On receipt of their last letter the Warehousekeeper was order'd to make an exact calculate of Tonage we should be able to dispatch for England according to the List of Investment Order'd by our Honble Masters and now contracted for which if [we] meet with no unforeseen disappointment we find will enable us to dispatch one of their Ships directly from the Bay and give them the assistance we promis'd in our last of four hundred Bales each Ship to be return'd them besides Kintlage, Wherefore

AGREED that we now write to the Gentlemen at Madrass to send us what money they can spare to reimburse us the Amount of one Ships Cargo, and prevent our running so deeply in Debt considering the small Stock the Company have alotted us this Season and the Interest of Bengall being 12 per Cent and at Fort S^t^. George but 9 per Cent per Annum which difference of 3 per Cent is so much a greater Loss to our Hon. Masters.

1499.—THE NABOB GREEDY FOR MONEY.

Monday, September 12th.

The 9th Inst. receiv'd a Generall letter from Mr. John Deane &c^{a}. at Cossembuzar dated the 5th wherein he advises of the Nabobs greediness for money and the abuses of the Government in generall which has occasion'd many of the Merchants to abscond But that notwithstanding the many difficulties they meet with are in hopes of getting in the Investment in good time.

1500.—THE BOATS FOR PATNA BEYOND MALDA.

September 12th.

The 8th receiv'd a letter from Major Richard Hunt dated the 3rd Inst. advising that the Boats were safe arriv'd three Course [*kōs*] above Malda that the Men &c^{a}. were all in good order.

1501.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR AUGUST, 1720.[1]

September 12th.

Abstract of Major Hunts Company for Mo. August 1720.

1	Major	...	65
1	Lievetenant	...	35
2	Ensigns	...	44
10	Serjeants	...	200
9	Corporalls	...	117
1	Marshall	...	20
1	Drum Major	...	20
5	Drummers	...	59
118	European Soldiers	...	1180
42	Portugueeze Soldiers	...	210
3	Rounders	...	18
193		Rupees ...	1963
15	On Command at Cossembuzar		
208			

Abstract of Captain Henry Dallibars Company for Mo. August 1720.

2	Lievtenants	...	70
2	Ensigns[2]	...	48
9	Serjeants	...	180
8	Corporalls	...	104
	Carried over	...	.....

[1] Compare those for April recorded on May 9, in § 432.

[2] Theo. Gammon and Henry Cross. See § 1483.

	Brought over ...		.....
6	Drummers		72
2	Governors Guard		20
100	European Soldiers		1000
3	Rounders		18
49	Portugueeze Soldiers		245
181		Rupees ...	1757

On Comand at Cossimbuzar
2 Corporalls
1 Drummer
6 European Soldiers

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1502.—ZAMÍNDÁRI ACCOUNT FOR JULY 1720.[1]

Monday, September 12th.

Mr. John Eyre Jeemendar [*samindār*] now brought in the Account Revenues for the month July the gross amount being three thousand one hundred fifty eight rupees four annaes nine pyce. Particulars, Viz[t].

By Ground Rent	1334			
„ Gain on Cowries [*kauṛīs*]	11	4		
„ Duty on Grain	55			
„ Mangon [*mangan*]	231	5	9	
„ Malderry [*māldāri*]	4	11	9	
„ Towbuzzarey [*tahbāzāri*]	208	14	9	
„ Weighman	117	7	6	
„ Wood	8	8		
„ Pots	1	2		
„ Caulkers	36	4	6	
„ Banians [*banyās*]	5	7	9	
„ Brammins [*Brahmans*]	2	4	3	
„ Fishermen	20	11		
„ Ferry Boat...	7	4	6	
„ Cotton Beaters	1	13	3	
„ Butty [*bheti*]	42	12		
„ Laying boats ashoar	1	11	9	
„ Vermilion	21	1	9	
„ Conjee [*kānji*]		8	9	
Carried over ...	2112	5	3	

[1] See explanations at § 1090.

Brought over	2112	5	3
By The Markett	255	12	3
„ Delolly [*dallāli*] of the Markett	2	13	
„ Produce of the Companys Spare Ground	16	11	9
„ Suba Buzar [Sobhā Bāzār]	72		6
„ Jean Buzar [Jān Bāzār]	25	1	3
„ Begum Buzar [Begam Bāzār]	25	9	3
„ Hogs	1	1	6
„ Sale of Houses	14	11	
„ Sallame [*salāmī*] of Potahs [*paṭṭas*]	101	7	3
„ Recovering of Debts	15	9	3
„ Peons Fees	87	13	3
„ Marriages	114	9	3
„ Fines	264	13	6
„ Sale of Slaves	3	4	9
„ Bang [*bhang*]	42	1	9
„ Sale of old Fetters	2	8	
	3158	4	9
Charges deducted	352	9	6
Rupees	2805	11	3

ORDER'D that it pass Errors Excepted and be deliver'd the Accomptant the Ballance two thousand eight hundred and five rupees eleven annaes three pyce being paid into Cash.

1503.—WILL OF ELIZABETH THOMLINSON.

Monday, September 12th.

The last Will and Testament of Mrs. Elizabeth Thomlinson deceas'd with a Codicill thereunto annex'd was now produc'd by the Hon. Samuel Feake Esqr. one of the Trustees thereof The Worshipl. James Williamson Esqr. being the other Trustee who declares he was not appris'd of his being so chosen till after her death and does now decline to act or meddle with any of the Deceas'ds effects.

Copy of Mrs. Elizabeth Thomlinson's will.

In the Name of God Amen I Elizabeth Thomlinson Widdow of Callcutta being sick and weak in body but of sound and perfect memory prais'd be God, do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament as followeth. Imprimis, I will and direct that all my just debts and funerall charges be paid. Item I give and bequeath unto the Hon. Samuel Feake Esqr the sume of four hundred rupees. Item I give and bequeath unto the Worshipll. James Williamson Esqr the sume of one hundred and sixty rupees. Item I give and

bequeath unto my Nephew Thomas Swallow the sum of two thousand and four hundred rupees which I desire may be deposited in the hands of the Honble Samuel Feake for his maintainance and education which I request the Hon. Samuel Feake Esqr will be pleas'd to take care off. Item I give and bequeath unto my deceas'd Husband the Revd. Mr. Joshua Thomlinson his Neeces the Daughters of his eldest Sister who he hath sent for out of England the sume of nine hundred and sixty rupees being the like sume which my said Husband hath given them in his last Will and I do give it on the same conditions which he hath done in his Will, but in case neither of them doth come out of England to this place, then I give unto my said Husbands eldest Sister her Daughters each of them the sume of two hundred and forty rupees or thirty pounds Sterling. Item I give unto my said Husbands two Sisters each of them one hundred and sixty rupees or twenty pounds. Item I give and bequeath unto my Brothers John and William Worrall on the Island of St. Hellena each of them the sume of eight hundred rupees or one hundred pounds Sterling, but in case my Brother William Worrall is dead, then I give the abovementioned eight hundred rupees or one hundred pounds between his Children to be equally divided amongst them. Item I give unto my Sister in Law Martha Worrall the debt which She owes me and also the sume of one hundred and sixty rupees. Item I give unto my Brother John Worrall his two eldest Daughters the sume of four hundred rupees or fifty pounds each. Item I give unto my Neece Elizabeth Eldest Daughter of my Brother John Worrall all my plate that is to say, two Tankards, twelve spoons one salver three castors & one porringer, also one Table-cloth and sixteen English Diaper Knapkins. Item I give unto my Brother John Worrall what debts he owes me. Item I give unto my Nephews Joshua and William, Sons of my Brother John Worrall the sum of three hundred and twenty rupees each, and to his Daughter Margreat I also give three hundred and twenty rupees. Item I give unto my Brother William Worrall his Children each of them forty pounds, or three hundred and twenty rupees in case their Father William Worrall is alive. Item I give my Slave Wench Nanny which I left along with Mrs. Elizabeth Lacy on St. Hellena, her freedom. Item I give forty rupees towards a Charrity School in Callcutta. Item I give and dispose of all my deceased Husband the Revd. Joshua Thomlinson his Library of books as followeth Viz. I give to the Hon. Samuel Feake Esqr, three Volumes of Doctor Sherlocks works, his *discourses of a future State, death and judgement*, six vols. of Doctor Ofspring Blackwalls works, two vols. new in folio of Doctor Tillotsons works, *the whole duty of Man* in folio, six vols. of my Lord Clarrindon's works, two vols of Doctor Derhams works Vizt his *Astro Theologie, & Phisico Theologie &* any other books which he shall have a fancy for. I give unto the Worpll. James Williamson out of the remainder of my Husbands books the same number of Books which I have given Govr Feake, such as he shall like best. I give unto my Brother John Worrall Doctor Sherlocks *Sermons*, and one old volume of Doctr Tillotsons *Sermons*. I give unto Thomas Coales his choice of thirty books out of what books remains, and the remaining Books, such as Latin, Greek, Hebrew, &cs also all the Commentarys on the Bible I give to the

Church of Calcutta. Item I desire that all my wearing Apparrell may be sent to my Brother John Worrall at S^{t}. Hellena, which I give between his Wife & Daughters, excepting one black Sattin gown & pettycoat & a black Scarf which I give to my Sister in Law Martha Worrall. Item I give & bequeath all the remainder part of my Estate to my Brothers John and William Worrall to be divided equally between them. Item I appoint and desire the Hon. Saml. Feake and the Worsp^{ll}. James Williamson to be Trustees to this my last Will & Testament. And Lastly I do hereby will & ordain this to be my last Will & Testament revoking disanulling & disallowing all other former Wills &c^{a} made by me heretofore. In Wittness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seal in Calcutta this 13th day of June 1720.

Signed, sealed & declared to be the last Will & Testament of Elizabeth Thomlinson in the presence of us. After enterlining in the 1st side beginning of the sixteenth line the words [and four hundred.]

Elisa Thomlinson. Seal.

Tho. Coales.
Robt. Broadfoot.
Rich^{d}. Cleaverlee.

A Codicill made this fourth day of September Anno Dom. 1720 by me Elizabeth Thomlinson to my last Will & Testament dated in Callcutta the 13th day of June 1720. That is to say I will and desire my Trustees the Hon. Saml. Feake & the Worshp^{l}. James Williamson nominated in my said Will to build a Tomb over my Husband's & my grave. In wittness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in Callcutta the day & year abovewritten. Signed & Sealed in the presence of

Tho. Coales.
Robt. Broadfoot. E. Thomlinson. Seal.

Messrs. Thomas Coales Robert Broadfoot and Richard Cleaverlee the Wittnesses to the last Will and Testament of M^{rs}. Elizabeth Thomlinson deceas'd. As also Messrs. Thomas Coales & Robert Broadfoot Wittnesses to the Codicill anext to said Will appearing before us the President and Councill in Bengall for Affairs of the Hon. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies in the Consultation room in Fort William this 12th day of September 1720 and being sworn on the holy Evangelists the former three Persons declare upon Oath that they saw the Testator sign, seal, & declare this to be her last Will and Testament, and the two other likewise declare upon Oath that they saw her sign to the above Codicill, and that She was then perfectly in her senoes, and that they saw each other sign as Wittnesses.

1504.—THE FRENCH CHIEF AT BALASOR.

Monday, September 19th.

The 12th Inst. receiv'd a letter from Mr. Harry Clare at Ballasore dated the 6th advising that a French Cheif was arriv'd from Hugly, with a large sum of money to be invested in Sannoes [*sanahs*], and other Ballasore Goods, which he feared wou'd be some hindrance in getting in the Hon. Companys Sannoes [*sanahs*].

1505.—TEMPORARY SETTLEMENT OF DIFFICULTIES AT CASSIMBAZAR.

September 19th.

This morning receiv'd a Generall letter from Mr. John Deane &c^a. at Cossembuzar dated the 16th advising of their having brought their affairs with Atcharge [Āchārya] &c^a. Mudsuddys [*mutaṣaddīs*] to a Conclusion for this Season; that they have clear'd all their Boats from Azemgung ['Aẓīmganj] &c^a. Chowkeys [*chaukis*], and that day expected Atcharges [Āchārya's] Orders, for the Currancy of our business at Handiall, Santose, & Seerpore. They desire we will send a Serjeant and a few men to help convoy down the Boats with a large parcell of Goods. The money sent them not being sufficient to clear the Merchants Acco^ts. they advise were forc'd to take up money at Interest.

1506.—GRATUITY TO STEPHENSON AND PHILLIPS.

September 19th.

The Hon. Company having in the 89th Paragraph of their Gen^ll Letter receiv'd per Ship *Duke of York* Order'd Gratuitys Viz^t. to Mr. Edward Stephenson three hundred pounds, Mr. Hugh Barker two hundred pounds and to Mr. Thomas Phillips one hundred pounds, Mr. Hugh Barker being gone home on Ship *Cadogan*.

AGREED that the President pay Mr. Edward Stephenson three hundred pounds, and Mr. Thomas Phillips one hundred pounds according to the Hon. Companys Directions.

1507.—GRATUITY TO THE ĀKHŪN.[1]

September 19th.

And in the 91st Paragraph of said letter having order'd a Seerpaw [*sar-o-pā*] and Gratuity of two three or four hundred Rupees to Mahmood Fazil Occon [Muḥammad Fazl *ākhūn*[1]] for his long, good, and faithfull Services.

ORDER'D that the Buxey prepair a Coat, Turbant, & Sash, and that the President give it him with four hundred Rupees Curr^t and that his

1 The term *ākhūn*, of which the common meaning is teacher, here seems to mean Persian secretary.

Son who now acts under him in that Post be acquainted with the Hon. Companys Orders for his succeeding his Father if he behaves himself diligent and faithfull.

1508.—WILL OF JOHN HOLMAN.

Monday, September 19th.

The last Will and Testament of John Holman Ship Carpenter was now produc'd before us by Ralph Tiplady Turstee thereof, which being prov'd

ORDER'D that it be enter'd with the Probate.

Copy of John Holman's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I John Holman of Callcutta in the Kingdome of Bengall in East India being in perfect health and of sound disposeing mind and memory and well knowing and considering the uncertaintys of this transitory life doe make and declare this my last Will and Testament (as followeth) First I committ my Soul to Almighty God which gave me life in hopes of the Resurection by my Blessed Saviour Jesus Christ; And Secondly I recommend my Body to the Earth (or Seas) unto which it shall please God to call me, to be decently buryed according to the discretion of my Executor, And as for all my Worldly Goods Chattels and Estate whatsoever I give and bequeath the same as followeth, Viz^{t}.

Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my wellbeloved friend Ralph Tiplady of Calcutta one ring of Gold vallue of one Gold rupee. Item after the payment of all such Debts that may be due oweing or belonging to any Person or Persons at the time of my decease: I give devise and bequeath (all the rest and residue of all such Estate Goods, Chattels Summe or Summes of Money, Debts, Dues, Claimes which at the time of my decease I may be possess'd or invested with or of right appertaine unto me) unto my Honoured Mother Ann Holman of Broad-street London Widdow. But in case of the decease of my said Mother Ann Holman either before my decease (or after my deceace) before the proveing of this my last Will and Testament, I then give and bequeath the aforesaid Estate goods Chattels &c. unto my loving Cozens Arthur Dyer and Christiana Dyer of the Parr^{sh} of Woollwich in the County of Kent. To be equally shared between them the one half or part thereof to my Cozen Arthur Dyer & the other half unto my Cozen Christiana Dyer, Butt in case of the deceace of either of the said Partys abovenamed Arthur or Christiana then the whole summe or summes of money Lands Tenements goods Chattells & Estate whatsoever to belong and of right appertaine unto the said Survyvour either Arthur or Christiana afforesaid, And for the due performance of this my last Will [&] Testament I do hereby declare and appoint my wellbeloved friend Ralph Tiplady of Calcutta afforesaid my sole Executor and to receive all such summe or summes of money goods chattels or otherwise, which shall of right appertaine unto me at the time of my deceace, and the same to make returne of for England to each or either of the Partys abovenamed by the first opportunity and securest

ways as possible he can gett in the Port of Callcutta or otherways may be permitted. And I doe hereby revoke all former Wills and deeds of Guift by me heretofore made, and only acknowledge establish and appoint these presents to be forr and stand as my only last Will and Testament. In Wittness hereof I have sett my hand and seal this tenth day of August in the sixth year of Our Soveraigne Lord King George of England &c^{a}. 1719.
Sealed and deliver'd in the presence of

Robt Martin
T. Simcoe
Mack Wm Gorton

John Holman

Seal.

Mack William Gorton one of the Wittnesses to the last Will and Testament of John Holman deceased appeared before us the President & Councill in Bengall for Affairs of the Hon. the United Company of Merchants of England tradeing to the East Indies this 19th day of September 1720 in the Consultation room in Fort William and being sworne on the Holy Evangelists declares upon Oath that he saw the Testator who was then in his perfect Sences signe seal and declare this to be his Last Will and Testament he also saw the other two Wittnesses namely Robert Martin and T. Simcoe (who are gone to England) sign as Wittnesses.

1509.—SUCCESS OF NIẒĀMU-L-MULK.

Thursday, September 22nd.

The 19th receivd a letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson & Thomas Falconer at Patna dated 1st Inst. advising that Nazamulmoolk [Niẓāmu-l-Mulk] in Decan had defeated Allum Ally Caun's ['Ālim 'Alī Khān's] Forces and took him Prisoner, and after treating him ignominiously Order'd him to be put to death, which news occasion'd Hossunally Caun [Ḥusain 'Alī Khān] (after he had march'd from Agra) to return back that Mahmud Ami Caun [Muḥammad Amīn Khān] and others have rais'd a great Force & were constantly on their Guard, and Syed Caun Jaun [Sayyad Khān Jahān], Uncle to the Syed's Brothers is dead, and the Vizier Abdula Caun ['Abdu-llah Khān] is so ill that his recovery is despair'd of[1]; The last acco^{t} they had of the Chuckwars [Chakwārs] was that they had gather'd togeather about two thousand five hundred Horse, besides a great number of Buxerys [*baksaris*] and were resolv'd to make an attempt on our Boats. They

[1] See *ante* note to § 1494, p. 265. Sayyad Khān Jahān Bahādur died in Shawwāl 1132 H., August 1720. The native historians say nothing of 'Abdullah Khān's illness.

also advise that they had laden on board boats in Futtua [Fatūhā] Harbour, seventeen thousand five hundred Maunds of Salt-petre and hoped by the time the Party arriv'd there to have the rest in readiness.

1510.—GOODS READY TO DESPATCH AT CASSIMBAZAR.

Monday, September 26th.

Last night receiv'd a Generall Letter from Mr John Deane &c[a] at Cossemb uzar dated the 21st Inst. inclosing copies of Atcharges [Āchārya's] Orders for the Currancys of our business in the Aurungs [*aurangs*]; and that he had sent the Originalls to the Merchants Gomastoes [*gumāshtahs*] in those Aurungs [*aurangs*]. They advise that what Goods they have ready in the Factorey shou'd have been sent us by the second or third of next month but the Deserie [Daśaharā] or Jentues [Hindu] holydays[1] will hinder them some time, tho' they do not doubt of dispatching the Boats by the tenth.

1511.—CHANGE OF COUNCIL AT PATNA.

Monday, September 26th.

The Hon. Company having order'd Messrs. Edward Stephenson and Thomas Falconer (both now at Patna) to be of Councill at this Board, and it being requisite for one of them to return hither,

Order'd that Mr. Edward Stephenson remain there as Cheif, that Mr. Thomas Falconer be sent for down to take his place at this Board, and that Mr. John Sainsbury Loyd Junior Merchant prepair himself to proceed up thither overland as Second with Mr. John Foster Writer as soon as we can have advises from the Gentlemen above what method will be best and safest for their proceeding.

Mr. Samuel Harwood who went up Writer at the first settling the Factory, being commenc'd Factor from the thirteenth of last month,[2]

Order'd that he remain there and sign as Third.

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[1] September 21 was the Mahālaya and September 27 the Durga *Pūjā*.

[2] From this it appears that he commenced writer August 13, 1715. He had come out to India to his relation Mr. Feake in 1713, on the *Hanover*. See *English in Bengal*, II, 342, 366.

1512.—INVOICE OF SURAT PIECE GOODS FOR TRIAL.

Wednesday, September 28th. This morning per Ship *William* receiv'd a Generall Letter from the Gov$^{r.}$ and Councill of Fort S$^{t.}$ George under date of 22$^{d.}$ Ult. inclosing List of Stores wanting for the use &c$^{a.}$ of that Presidency Viz$^{t.}$

Salt-petre ...	...	8000 Bags
Wheat best sort ...	...	200 d$^{o.}$
Oyle	...	250 Jarrs
co.		
Gurrahs [*gāṛhās*] 36	...	1000 Peices
D$^{o.}$ 20	...	1000 d$^{o.}$
Gunny [*goṇī*] ...	...	15000 d$^{o.}$
Rope	...	150 Candy
Twine	...	50 d$^{o.}$
Rice best sort ...	...	3000 Bags

And in a private letter to the President receiv'd an Invoice of a Bale of Surratt p^{s} goods laden on board Ship *William* by M$^{r.}$ John Hope Cheif at Surratt and consign'd Gov$^{r.}$ Feake for Acco^{t} and risque the Hon. United Company being Musters of Surratt course p^{s} goods which Our President wrote to Gov$^{r.}$ Boone for last year, for a tryall if [they] can be made here at a cheaper rate, and more for the Companys advantage.

1513.—DEATH OF THE *DĪWĀN* OF BENGAL.

Monday, October 13rd. The 29th Ult$^{o.}$ receiv'd a Generall Letter from M$^{r.}$ John Deane &c$^{a.}$ at Cossembuzar dated the 25th advising of the death of Syed Redgby Caun [Sayyad Rajab Khān] Duan [*dīwān*] of Bengall at Muxadavad [Maqṣūdābad].

1514.—OSTEND SHIP AT ROGUE'S RIVER.

Emperours Ship arriv'd at Rogues River.

October 3rd. By advices from our Hon. Masters Shipping now riding at Rogues river we are inform'd that the Ship formerly call'd the *Heathcott* now in the Ostend service anchor'd in sight of them the 30th September under charge of a Dutch Pylott who they had deluded by coming into Ballasore road with English Colours and as reported gave out that they belong'd to the Hon. English Company.

Commerce with Interlopers forbid.

AGREED that we immediately fix papers on our Gates and at the Corners of all publick Streets in the English Portugueeze Persian and

Bengall Languages giving publick notice to all our Merchants Inhabitants and all People of whatsoever Nation that live under our protection that they no ways trade or converse or have the least dealing with any Person or Persons whatever belonging to the said Ship And that in case Any of said Ship's Company known to be such shall at any time or times come on shoar within the Limits or Bounds of our Hon. Masters and be seen by any Person or Persons whatever that such Person do give immediate notice to our Guard in order to have him or them apprehended and sent home & brought to Justice according to the Act of Parliament which is on all the Gates of this Garrison. It is further order'd that our Jemindar [*zamīndār*] do beat a Drum round and about our Towns declaring the same that those Inhabitants which cannot read as well as Others may be left without excuse, In case any Person whatever shall show any contempt or disregard this our Publick Order and either shelter trade converse or have any commerce with them such Person or Persons shall not only forfeit whatsoever he is possess'd of, but if a Subject of England be sent home for further Justice or if a Forreigner or Native bannished the Companys Protection.

Letter to be sent to Cossimbuzar with instructions about Ship in question.

'Tis also ARREED that we forthwith write to Mr John Deane &c^{a} at Cossembuzar that he acquaint the Nabob Jaffer Caun [Ja'far Khān] of the arrivall of this Ship declaring that we know not on what acco^{t}. She is come as not belonging to the English French or Dutch Companys which he gives publick notice of that the English Nation nor the Hon. Company may not be expected to answer for any misdemeanour or outrages they may committ in the Mogulls Dominions And that our Vacqueel [*vakīl*] do immediately and publickly declare the same Purport to the Phousdar [*faujdār*] &c^{a} Officers of the Hughly Government.

1515.—DECISION WITH REGARD TO EUROPE SHIPS.

Monday, October 3rd.

In our Consultation of the 5th Ult^{o} after an exact Calculate of what Tonnage our Investment this year would enable us to provide for We as there mention'd now resolve to send three Ships directly home from hence Viz^{t}. the *Craggs* Frigott, *Cardigan* and *Duke of York*. We pitch on the *Craggs* for the following reasons. First as She is already on Demorage and in the next place a small Ship So that we purpese to dispatch her in company with the *Cardigan* by the 15th or 20th of December at farthest fully laden

for Europe, and as the Gentlemen at Fort St. George have wrote for a very large quantity of Stores particularly eight thousand bags of Salt Petre,

AGREED that on the arrival of our Petre Boats from Pattna we immediately load on Ships *Mary Derby* and *Duke of Cambridge* what Petre they can well take in over and above their Charter party proportion, and what they may demand on request to avoid as much as possible freighting it on Countrey Vessells.

1516.—INTELLIGENCE OF A FRENCH EUROPE SHIP AT BALASOR.

Thursday, October 6th. The 4th Inst. received a letter from Mr. Harry Clare at Ballasore dated the 27th Ulto. advising that the 24th a French Europe Ship arriv'd in the road. And that he was inform'd the Ship *Heathcott* arriv'd in the road some days past under English Colours, and sent her boat on board a Dutch Sloop, man'd with Englishmen and told them they were an English Seperate Stock Ship come out with the Companys leave by which means they got a Dutch Pylott.

1517.—EDWARD BEACHAM'S LETTER INTERCEPTED.

Thursday, October 6th. This morning was brought to the President by Robert Lavers[1] our Cooper a letter directed to Mr. Harden (who is one of our Serjeants) which said Lavers was desired to deliver to Thomas Harden. On opening said letter find it to be wrote from on board ship *City of Vienna*, formerly the *Heathcott* without date and sign'd by Edwd. Beacham Master of the Hon. Companys Sloop *George* bound down to Rogues river laden with Salt Petre for Ship *Cardigan* By which it appearing he has deserted the Hon. Companys service.

Bakhshi *to seize Beacham's Effects.*

ORDER'D that Mr. Waterworth Collett Buxey [*bakhshi*] do immediately send to Serjeant Harden's house and seize whatever Effects may be found there belonging to said Beacham And that our Guard have strict orders to look out night and day to seize him in order to be sent for England.

Edward Beacham his letter.

Mr. Harden

This is to acquaint you that I am on board the Emperours Ship the *City Vienna* & desire you to send all my things as soon as possible you can, I hope

[1] Robert Lavers also kept a punch-house.

I shall see you at Callcutta in a little time, pray be as expeditious as possible for I shall be uneasie till I hear from you. This is all at present.

Your humble Servt.
Edward Beacham.

1518.—WILL OF HENRY JOHNSON.

October 6th. The last Will and Testament of Henry Johnson deceas'd belonging to Ship *Mary* was now produc'd before the Board by Mr Mathew Wesley Trustee thereof.

ORDER'D that it be enter'd after this Consultation with the Probatt.

Copy of Henry Johnsons Will.

In the Name of God Amen I Henry Johnson belonging to Ship *Mary* being Sick and Weak do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

Imprimis. I commend my Soul to Almighty God who gave it and my Body to the Earth to be buried at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named.

Item. As to what Worldly Effects as it hath pleas'd God to bless me with both in India and England I give between my belov'd Brother John Johnson and Mrs. Edeath Groom.

Item. I do appoint Mr. Mathew Wesley Trustee to this my last Will and Testament desiring him to remitt what Effects I have in India to my Brother John Johnson and Mrs. Edeath Groom aforesaid and I do hereby anull and make void all former Wills by me made acknowledgeing this to be my last Will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 27th day of September 1720.

Sign'd seal'd & deliver'd in the presence of us,
where no stampt paper is to be had

John Harris
Thos. Moore

Henry Johnson

Seal.

Messrs. John Harris & Thomas Moore Wittnesses to the last Will and Testament of Henry Johnson deceas'd appearing before us the President & Councill in Bengall for Affairs of the Hon. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies the 6th day of October 1720 in the Consultation room in Fort William & being sworne on the Holy Evangelists declare upon Oath that they saw the Testator sign seal & declare this to be his last Will and Testament, Thomas Moore declares he saw John Harris sign who went out of the room before he subscribed, but both declare he was perfectly in his Sences.

1519.—ACCOUNT OF WILLIAM HALL'S ESTATE.

Thursday, October 6th.

Mr. William Spencer late Buxey [*bakhshi*] now brought in the Account of Mr. William Hall deceased Estate Ballance thereof seven thousand nine hundred eighty six rupees thirteen annas six pyce being paid into the Hon. Companys Cash.

The Estate of Mr William Hall deceased.

Dr				Cr		
	r.	a.	p.			
To Cash pd the Company for the use of the Dock ...	290			By the Amot of an Outcry Accot dated 28 July 1719	371	7 3
To Sundry Outcry Notes, Vizt				By Do of an Accot Sale dated 16 Oct. 1719	302	9
1 Note for ... 281 5				By Cash found in his Chest, Vizt		
1 do ... 534 12 6				Madrass & Suratt rs ... 438		
1 do ... 535 12 9				Batta 10 pr ct ... 43 12 9		
1 do ... 5 4				481 12 9		
1 do ... 8 12				Sicca rs 345		
1 do ... 19 10				Batta 12½ pr ct ... 43 2		
1,385	8	3		388 2		
To Cash pd for his Funurall	13				869	14 9
To do pd the Mate of his Brigantine for Wages & Disbursement as per Accot	166	11		By the Ballance of Captain Norgates Accot ...	53	9
To Capt. Edward Martin the Ball. of his Accot ...	274	6		By the Amot of his Outcry Accot	11923	7 6
To the Amount of Capt. Wottons Accot ...	279	11		By the Ballance of Captain Jones's Accot ...	701	10 6
To Cash pd Mr Grey for 6 mos Godown rent at 15 rs	90			Rupees ...	14221	9 6
To Mr Waterworth Collett the Ball. of his Accot ...	391	15				
To Cash pd Servants wages Dandys [*dāṇḍis*] &cs for 2 mos	74	12				
To do pd for weighing Hartall[1] Pepper & Tin	5	8				
To Cooley hire for bringing his Things to & from Outcry	12	12				
Carried over ...	2,894	3	3			

[1] *Hartal*, yellow arsenic.

	r.	a.	p.
Brought over ...	2,894	3	3
To Cash pd for House Rent for the Salt ...	23	1	6
To the Ball. of Captain Gills Accot ...	33	6	6
To Capt. Jones's note for	28	9	6
To Mr Cooke the Ball. of his Accot	64	6	6
To Antony Michael Royer for 5 Weeks wages aboard his Brigantine ...	62	8	
To Monsr Lempevew the Ball. of his Accot ...	93	12	
To Mr Jno Stackhouse Accot Capt Henry Harnett decd 994 Int from 2d July 1719 to 8th Sept. 1720 is 14 mos 6 days 141 2 3			
	1,135	2	3
To Cash pd Mr Winter for 1 pr Shoes & 1 pr Slippers	6	9	6
To Mr Spinckes the Amot of his note ...	297	1	9
To Samuel Feake Esqr the Ball. of his Accot ...	736	14	
To Mr Stackhouse for Godown rent 3 mos at 20 rs	60		
To Maria de Rosaria the Ball. of her Accot ...	38		
To Commission 5 pr ct on Rupees 14221-9-6 ...	711	1	3
	6234	12	
Ballance ...	7986	13	6
Rupees ...	14221	9	6

Errors excepted

Wm Spencer Buxey [*bakhshi*]

Calcutta
26 Septr 1720

1520.—SAFE PROGRESS OF THE BOATS UP THE RIVER.

Friday, October 14th. The 7th Inst. receiv'd a Generall letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson and Thomas Falconer dated the 25th Ulto. at Ryley advising of the safe arrivall of the Boats at that place, the Chuckwars [Chakwārs] not offering to molest them in the way.

1521.—SHIPPING NEWS FROM MADRAS.

October 14th The 9th Inst. receiv'd a Generall letter from the Governour and Councill of Fort St. George per Ship *Oxford* dated the 12th September advising that our Hon. Masters Ships *Godfrey* and *Hannover* sail'd for Europe the 14th September, And that the *City Vienna* formerly the *Heathcott* arriv'd lately at Porta Nova and sail'd through the road the 10th for the Bay under Emperours Colours, She sail'd from Ostend the 6th Aprill (in company with severall other Ships bound this way) and brings news of our Hon. Masters Ships *King George*, *Addison*, *Queen* and *Dartmouth* arriv'd in Great Brittain the 14th March.

1522.—ZAMĪNDĀRĪ ACCOUNT FOR AUGUST, 1720.

October 14th Mr. John Eyre Jemindar [*samīndār*] now brought in the Account Revenues for the Month August the Gross amount thereof being rupees two thousand seven hundred fifty six Six Annaes three pyce.

1523.—BALASOR LETTER ABOUT *KAURĪS*.

Friday, October 14th. Last night receiv'd a Letter from Mr. Harry Clare at Ballasore dated ye 7th Inst. inclosing Invoice of 20 Bales Sanoes [*sanahs*] and 67 bags Cowries [*kauṛis*] laden on board the *Cossembuzar* Sloop amounting to rupees eight thousand four hundred sixteen four annaes six pyce We perceive by said Invoice that the Cowries [*kauṛis*] are bought at 36 punns [*pans*] per Madrass Rupee which is one punn [*pan*][1] less then we bought them for here.

1524.—FIVE CHESTS OF MADRAS RUPEES TO BE GIVEN TO MERCHANTS.

Friday, October 14th. According to order of Consultation the 6th Inst. our Broaker informs us that he has secured what money he could get at Hughly and has paid the same

[1] A *pan* is eighty *kauṛis*.

into Cash being fifty seven thousand four hundred and twenty Rupees and our Merchants (as noted before in our former Consultation) still complaining that they can by no means comply with their Dadney [*dādnī*] Contracts without an additionall Supply and what makes us more willing if possible to be farther assisting is to prevent their having room or plea for any dilitoriness in bringing in their goods Considering there now be three French Ships and one Ostender in sight of our Fort who undoubtedly will not be wanting to give any encouragement for goods as the time for their departure draws near, Wherefore

ORDER'D that Mr. William Spencer Import Warehousekeeper deliver the President five chests of Madrass Rupees which added to the above sum of fifty seven thousand four hundred and twenty rupees will enable him to advance them five per cent and that We give them Bills of Debt for fifteen pro. cent. more And that we oblige them to take five pro cent. in Broad Cloth which will make out the sixty five pro. cent. as given last year and is the lowest we can bring them to agree too Besides we must note that the Merchants have already brought in goods to near the amount first advanc'd them.

1525.—THE OSTEND SHIP PASSES UP.

Friday, October 14th. The 10th Inst. pass'd by upwards Ship *City of Vienna* under the Emperours Colours and anchor'd on the other side of the Water.

1526.—THE BOATS ARRIVE AT PATNA.

Monday, October 17th. The 14th Inst. receiv'd a Generall Letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson & Thomas Falconer at Pattna dated the 30th Ulto. advising of the arrivall of the Boates at Futtua [Fatūhā] which they shou'd unlade as soon as possible and that they hop'd to meet with a good Markett for the goods sent Accot. the Hon. Company if the troubles up the Countrey were speedily accomidated of which they have so many various reports that they are at a loss how to credit any. They also advise that the Nabob would go out of the City in two or three days towards Bogapore [Bhāgalpur], and they were endeavouring to gett the Dustick [*dastāk*] for our boats departure before he went, for if it was not procured before it wou'd be a great trouble & charge to procure it afterwards but that he insists on what he had last year and had already obliged the Dutch to pay him thirty thousand rupees.

1527.—THE THIRD FRENCH EUROPE SHIP PASSES UP.

Monday, October 17th. This day pass'd by upwards a third French Europe Ship & anchor'd on the other side of the Water (having been in sight for some days past).

1528.—DEATH OF ḤUSAIN 'ALI KHĀN

Monday, October 24th.[1] The 19th Inst. received a Generall Letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson and Thomas Falconer at Pattna dated the 10th advising that they were inform'd that Hosseinally Caun [Ḥusain 'Alī Khān] and Gyrutt Caun [Ghairat Khān] were kill'd in the Kings presence twelve days past by Mahmud-amie Caun [Muḥammad Amīn Khān] and his Party, And that Forces were sent after Abdula Caun ['Abdu-llah] who was on his march towards Dilly to secure him.[2]

1529.—PREPARATIONS BY THE NABOB AT CASSIMBAZAR.

Monday, October 24th. The 20th Inst. receiv'd a Generall Letter from Mr. John Deane &c^{a}. at Cossembuzar dated the 17th inclosing Manjees [*mānjhi's*] receipts for eighty eight chests of Silk peice goods and ninety seven bales Gurhaes [*gāṛhās*] and Doosuttys [*dusūtīs*] laden on board twenty boats also one hundred thirty two peices striped and one peice plain Taffaties which were sent up to be scour'd and drest. They advise that the Nabob is dayly listing of Men and making great preparations for what reason they cant learn, And that a Jamautdar [*jemātdār*][3] with a thousand horse was arriv'd from Pattna.

1530.—A PIRATE OFF BOMBAY.

Monday, October 24th. The 21st receiv'd per Ship *Shaw Allum* a Generall Letter from the Governor & Councill of Fort St. George dated the 13th Ult^{o}. enclosing copy of a Generall Letter receiv'd from the Governour & Councill of Bombay under date the 20th August wherein they advise of a Pyrate cruzing off that

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[1] The moon was new on October 20. Muḥarram 1, 1133 H., was October 22 or 23.

[2] Ḥusain 'Ali Khān, says Mr. Irvine, was assassinated on September 27, 1720 O.S., in the emperor's camp, when it was at a place called Todah Bhīm, between Fatḥpur Sikrī and Amber, Jaipur. The murderer was Mīr Ḥaidar Beg Dughlāt, and his instigators, Muḥammad Amīn Khān, Ḥaidar Qulī Khān, and Sa'ādat Khān, afterwards Burhānu-l-mulk. Ghairat Khān was killed in a plucky attempt to avenge his uncle's death.

[3] More usually *jamādar*, or *jama'hdār*, a native officer. It is formed from *jama'h*, or *jama't*, Arabic, a handful.

Place which had taken a rich Moor Ship bound from Judda to Suratt, They put about one hundred of her Men ashoar on Bombay in a long-boat who inform that the Pyrate has two teir of Gunns and about three hundred Men of different Nations.

1531.—ACCOUNT OF SAMUEL BROWNE DECEASED.

Monday, October 24th.

Mr. Waterworth Collett Buxey [*bakhshi*] now brought in the Accots. of Mr. Samuel Browne deceas'd Effects sold at Publick Out-Cry as per order of Consultation the first Septr. amounting to rupees five hundred seventy four one anna.

Order'd that the particulars be enterd after this Consultation the Ballance five hundred seventy one rupees nine annas six pyce being paid into Cash.

Acct. Sale of Sundreys sold at Outcry belonging to Mr. Samuel Browne deceas'd, particulars Vizt.

A Flower peice	Mr. Collett	2			
A small Cabinett	do.	5			
A sett of Ebony Chairs Couch ... 2 stools Table & pr. of Stands ...	Mr. Margass	26			
A Table and small Cott ...	Capt. Crampton ...	1	10		
A parcell of books	Mr. Phillips	24	8		
12 Madrass Chairs & Couch ...	Mr. Braddyll ...	19			
A large black press & linnen ...	Francis Vanes ...	10	4		
A Chest of Draws	Capt. Hurst	30	8		
A small Chest	Mr. Cole	3	4		
An empty Case	Anthony de Sainto ...	2	5		
A table	Capt. Williams ...	2	6		
A tea-table	Robert Lavers ...		9		
A Pallankeen with brass feet ...	Capt. Weld	31	4		
A Kitchen & saucepan ...	Capt. Hyde	9			
A Doll hatchet powder horn &cs	Capt. Borlace ...	6	4		
A Crown Compass	Capt. Woodhouse ...	5			
A Carpett	Abdull the Taylor ...	2	10		
A small Madrass table ...	Capt. Crampton ...	4			
A Glass Lanthorn	Mr. Saunders ...	8	12		
A Large Madrass table ...	do.	5	10		
A Pallankeen wth 4 Silver feet ...	Capt. Crampton ...	65			
A Claps Cott	Mr. Greenhill ...	1	5		
A Dram case	Mr. Loyd	10			
3 Lances	Capt. Borlace ...	8	4		
	Carried over ...	284	7		

			Brought over	284	7
A parcell of China begers		Capt. Hyde		13	8
Do. Plates and Dishes		Mr. Saunders		4	
Do. Coockroom utensils		Mr. Stackhouse		16	
A writing Escrutore		Francis Vanes		15	4
A writing Press		Mr. Crisp		20	
A wig box		Mr. Greenhill		2	10
4 old Pictures		Abdull the Taylor			4
A Dressing Glass		Mr. Davis		7	3
Do.		Samuel Kite		5	5
A small Looking Glass		Mr. Oadham		3	
A pr. Glass Sconces		Capt. Biggins		3	8
A pr. Files & hatchett		Mr. Saunders		6	4
A dressing box		Gurdass		1	8
A Fann		Mr. Saunders		2	2
A great empty Chest		Capt. Blake		12	
A parcell of old Cloths		Thos. Harden		15	4
A small empty Chest		Capt. Crampton		16	
A parcell of old Linnen		Thos. Harden		50	
A parcell of Gloves		Capt. Biggins		2	
A Quilt		Thos Harden		5	10
An old Cott		Mr. Cassels		5	12
A standing Cott & Curtains		Mr. Unwin		30	4
2 Vellvett pillows		Mr. Collett		4	
A small Ebony table		Mr. Margass			6
An Armory board		Capt. Crampton		6	10
Two Silver Spoons and a knife & Fork		Doctor Harvey		10	
A Garden		Mr. Greenhill		31	4
			Rupees	574	1

Errors Excepted
Pr. W. COLLETT, Buxey [*bakhshi*].

The Estate of Mr. Samuel Browne deceas'd

Dr.	r.	a.	p.	Cr.	r.	a.
To Charges Cooleys & Cryer	2	7	6	By Amount of his Outcry Account	574	1 0
To Cash paid into the Hon. Companys Cash	571	9	6			
Rupees	574	1	0			

FORT WILLIAM
24th October, 1720.

Errors Excepted
Pr. W. COLLETT, Buxey [*bakhshi*].

1532.—GOVINDPUR GROUND RENT PAID.

Monday, October 24th.

Kissenram [Kishṇrām] Crowrey [*karoṛī*] demanding thirty seven rupees six annas Sicca for four months ground rent of Govindpore [Govindpur] in the Purgunna [*pargaṇā*] of Calcutta in Jaffer Caun's [Ja'far Khān's] Jaggear [*jāgīr*], due in August.

AGREED the President pay thirty seven rupees six annaes Madrass.

1533.—NEWS CONFIRMED THAT HUSSAIN 'ALĪ IS DEAD.

Monday, October 31st.

The 26th Inst. receiv'd a letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson & Thomas Falconer at Pattna dated the 14th advising that the death of Hosseinally Cawn [Ḥusain 'Alī Khān] & Gyratt Cawn [Ghairat Khān] is confirm'd by all hands And that news of Abdulla Caun's ['Abdu-llah Khān's] being destroy'd was dayly expected, They advise that they have obtain'd the Nabobs Dustick [*dastak*] for the boats, which they shou'd dispatch with all possible expedition. They further advise that the Dutch are agreeing with their assamys [*asāmīs*] for Salt-petre and request we wou'd send them orders for that Commodity wherefore

AGREED that we write them to procure thirty five thousand Maunds of the best Petre and peice goods according to the last years List being agreable with what order'd by our Hon. Masters in their List of Investment received this Season.

1534.—REPORTED SUICIDE OF 'ABDU-LLAH KHĀN.

Monday, October 31st.

This morning received a Generall Letter from Mr. John Deane &ca. at Cossembuzar dated 27th Inst. . . . . confirming the news of Hosseinally Caun [Ḥusain 'Ali Khān] and Gyratt Caun [Ghairat Khān] being cut off And that it is reported Abdulla Caun ['Abdu-llah] hearing of his Brother & Nephews death stab'd himself and dyed.[1]

1535.—REPORT OF THE STATE OF THE RIVER.

Monday, October 31st.

Our Pylots as well as the Dutch having all been down the River to sound the new deeps and lay the Boies for the shipping going out this season find the Channell which formerly run over to Coxes fill'd up insomuch that there is not water enough for a Sloop nor could they find any other Channell open'd by which to cross over to Coxes so that they have

[1] The rumour was incorrect, see further, § 1536.

been forced to lay the Boies for carrying all Ships out over the Braces, And the Dutch fleet for Batavia of eight sail are now gone out that way but forc'd to lighten some of their Ships which drew more than seventeen Dutch-feet.

Our Commanders acquainting us that all their Ships will draw much more water when laden We now sent for our head Pylotts to know what is the greatest depth of water they can with safety take charge of and carry them over the Braces which they all in generall declare to be 16 Foot English the utmost they dare venture upon and that the nearest place they can anchor in to lay with safety for takeing in the remainder of their Lading in Pipley road.

This will not only augment the Charges of loading them but delay a great deal of time in filling them at so great a distance wherefore

ORDER'D that John Cassells do immediately repair on board the *Cardigan*, and Hans Freeze on board Ship *Mary* and carry them into Pipley road, they both being laden to the draught of water required, The *Craggs* is above laden and on her way to Rogues river where She will be able to take in the greatest part of her Cargoe as not being so large a Ship & may stay till next Nips before she proceeds to Pipley.

1536.—'ABDU-LLAH KHĀN ATTEMPTS TO MAKE A FOURTH KING.

Monday, November 7th.

The 2nd Inst. receiv'd a Generall letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson & Thomas Falconer &ca. at Pattna dated 19th Ultº. advising that Abdula Caun ['Abdu-llah Khān] has sett another King on the Throne in Dilly named Ibrahim Sha [Ibrāhīm Shāh] and with a great Army waits the arrivall of Mahmud Sha [Muḥammad Shāh] in order to give him battle, by which the whole Countrey is like to continue in troubles. [1] They have consulted severall People who agree in opinion that Messrs. John Sainsbury Loyd and John Foster cannot with safety go over-land unless they can accompany some Omrah [*umarā*] that goes that way with a good Force. Inclos'd also received their Charges Generall and Cash Accts. for the months of August and September, And Messrs. Brownes and Barkers accts. saparately made up to the first October also an acctt. to whom their Ballances are due and what due to them from severall Salt-petre Assamys [*asāmīs*]. They further advise of four Woollocks

[1] Muḥammad Ibrāhīm, eldest son of Rafi'u-sh-shān, third son of the Emperor Bahādur Shāh, was enthroned at Dihlī on September 30, 1720 O.S., with the titles of Abul Fatḥ, Ẓahiru-d-dīn, Muḥammad Ibrāhīm.

[*ulāks*] coming from Singia [Singhiya] with Salt petre two of which striking on a Sand One was entirely lost with one hundred and sixty bags of Petre the Current being so very rappid.

1537.—THE BOATS ON THEIR WAY DOWN REACH GANGAPRASĀD.

Monday, November 7th.

Yesterday receiv'd a letter from Mr. Thomas Falconer dated the 1st Inst. seven course below Rajamall [Rājmahāl], advising that the 28th Ulto. the Boats loosed from Reyley and were all safe arriv'd at Gungapursaud [Gangaprasād] where he left Captain Rowe and Ensign Gammon with eighty Soldiers to come down with the great Boats And that he had brought away 1344 bags Petre on small boats and hoped to arrive us in 6 or 7 days.

1538.—ARRIVAL OF FALCONER WITH SALTPETRE.

Tuesday, November 10th.

Mr. Thomas Falconer arriv'd here the 8th Inst. brought down the light boats with one thousand three hundred forty four bags Salt-petre, and two hundred forty two bales sundry ps goods and now took his place at this board according to the Hon. Companys orders.

1539.—DISQUIETING NEWS FROM CASSIMBAZAR.

Thursday, November 10th.

The 8th Inst. receiv'd a Generall letter from Mr. John Deane &cª. at Cossembuzar dated the 4th inclosing copys of what the Hughly Phousdar [*faujdār*] wrote the Nabob about the Ship with the Emperours Colours and the Nabobs answer, Also advising of the death of Maumood John [Muḥammad Jān] Phousdar [*faujdār*] of Muxadevad [Maqṣūdabad] and Generall of the Nabobs Forces, They further advise that the Guzaratt Merchants Gomasters [*gumāshtahs*] acquainted Mr. Deane their Masters advis'd them the English had taken a rich Judda Ship bound to Suratt, belonging to the Moors, Complaint of which being made to the Suratt Government the English were seiz'd on but were afterwards permitted to return to their Factory from whence they report the English fled the same night.

1540.—DUTCH BUDGROW TO BE REBUILT.

Thursday, November 10th.

Captain John Jones Master of Attendance acquainting us that the hull of the Dutch Budgrow was so very much decay'd that it could not bare refitting We order'd him and Henry Cockrom Ship Carpenter to take a thorough Survey of her and give us their report in writing, and appears thereby

that the cheapest way will be to give her an entire new hull her house brass work &c^{a}. Stores all serving again wherefore

ORDER'D that M^{r}. Waterworth Collett Buxie [*bakhshi*] get her done as soon as possible with the best Teak timbers and plank procurable.

1541.—CAPTAIN JONES AND HENRY COCKROOM TO MEASURE ALL THE ENGLISH SHIPS' BURTHENS.

Thursday, November 10th.

The Hon. Company in their eight paragraph of their Generall Letter dated the 3rd of February last having order'd an exact List of all Ships employ'd in the Countrey as to their arrivall, Name, Burden, Super Cargoes, & Captains Names, Whence they came, Departure, & where bound, all which we having taken into consideration, We observe the Tonage or Burthen of each Ship is the cheif Article to be exactly enquir'd into, all the others being obvious & plain.

ORDER'D that Capt. John Jones Master of Attendance & Henry Cockroom Ship Carpenter do immediately repair on board of each Ship now in the river belonging to the English, Measure their Holds, And give us their report of every Ships tonage in writing.

1542.—A SALTPETRE BOAT RUNS AGROUND.

Monday, November 14th.

The 11th Inst. receiv'd a Generall letter from M^{r}. John Deane &c^{a}. at Cossembuzar dated 7th accompanying a letter from Captain Nicholas Rowe dated the 6th at Dedergong [Dīdārganj] advising that the 5th Inst. a large Salt-petre boat unfortunately run on a sand [bank] and sprung one of her bottom plank (on which the Dandys [*ḍāṇḍis*] & Manjee [*mānjhi*] left her) but the Soldiers boats sav'd about 250 bags tho' very wett, M^{r}. Falconer having taken out of said boat 213 bags and Capt. Rowe 400 bags to lighten her, The boat having at first 1650 bags, he hoped half the quantity was saved.

1543.—THE TONNAGE OF THE ENGLISH SHIPS.

Thursday, November 17th.

Captain John Jones Master of Attendance and Henry Cockrom Ship Carpenter having according to Order of Consultation the 10th Inst. measured the Tonage of severall Ships and Vessels now in this river brought in the accot. thereof

ORDER'D that it be enter'd after this Consultation And that the Secretary collect the Tonage accordingly, And that He for the future

have all other Vessels measured which may arrive hereafter, before he deliver them a Pass.

Copy of Account Tonage.

To the Hon. SAMUEL FEAKE Esqr. &a. Councill.

According to your orders we measured all the Countrey Ships & Vessels now in this river and make their Tonage as follows—

Shawallum	...	426	Tons
Hannover	...	425	„
King George	...	340	„
William	...	335	„
Windsor	...	290	„
Severn	...	210	„
London	...	218	„
Sunderland	...	184	„
Cornelia Galley	...	150	„
Pembrooke	...	144	„
Chester	...	130	„
Daniell	...	126	„
Mary	...	135	„
Harriott	...	118	„
Joseph	...	119	„
Shrewsbury	...	100	„
Mary Ann Brigantine	...	94	„
Prosperous do.	...	40	„
Fortune do.	...	45	„
Theona do.	...	37	„

We are
Your Honrs. &ca. Councill's most obedt.
& humble Servts.
JOHN JONES
HENRY COCKROM

FORT WILLIAM,
14th Nov. 1720

1544.—LETTER FROM KELLAWAY ON THE OSTEND SHIP.

Thursday, November 17th.

Mr. Waterworth Collett deliver'd us a letter which he receiv'd by the hands of a black Servant from William Kellaway belonging to the Ostend Ship called the *City of Vienna*.

ORDER'D that it be copyed after this Consultation and the originall be sent home.

Mr. Collatt, Sir,

Being inform'd that you are going home this year I have made boald to troble you with a few lines to desier to no if you have any money to lett at respondenshi and if pleas to soply me and the Cheef Mate and to take Capt., Harrison and Mr. Humes as to be bound for us thay will be very redy to do it

and if you pleas to do itt we are willing to give the same as others gives at Callecoatta and if you pleas to send me an answer by the bearar I shall think my self very moch oblidg to you which is all from

Sr

Your very hum. Sarvant
to command
Wm. Kellaway.

Novr. 15th 1720.

1545.—MOVEMENTS OF 'ABDU-LLAH KHĀN.

Monday, November 21st.[1]

Yesterday receiv'd a Generall letter from Mr. Edward Stephenson Cheif, and Samuel Harwood at Pattna dated the 7th Inst. inclosing Invoice of Sundry Goods sent thence the 27th Ulto. They advise that Abdulla Caun ['Abdu-llah Khān] with a great Force has entrench'd himself at Cojeke Surray, about seven Course [*kôs*] on this side Dilly and that Maumoodshaw [Muḥammad Shah] has advanc'd within thirty Course [*kôs*] of him so that news of an engagement is dayly expected.[2] The troubles up the Countrey has as yet hinder'd their selling any of the Broad Cloth or Tinn But that their endeavours should not be wanting in disposing of it as quick and advantageous as possibly.

1546.—SAMUEL GREENHILL TO DISPATCH THE *MARY*.

Wednesday, November 23rd.

All Papers being prepared for the dispatch of Ship *Mary* Captain Richard Holden Commander, Agreed that they be sign'd and the Packetts for Europe, Madrass and St. Hellena made up And that Mr. Samuel Greenhill go down to Pipley get the Bills of Lading sign'd and deliver the Captain his Dispatches.

1547.—CHRISTOPHER PRIEM'S PETITION.

Thursday, November 24th.

Christopher Priem deliver'd in a petition sign'd by himself and his Brother Stephen Sidney, dated the 15th August last, shewing, that a house formerly belonging to their Grandmother Mary Gomes built by her, on a peice of ground left them by their Mother, being now demanded by Mr. Stephen Shaw who is gone to England; They now apply themselves to us for Justice And have brought an attestation sign'd by three Persons who

[1] The moon was new on November 19. Advent Sunday was November 27.

[2] Abdu-llah Khān formed his first camp, on October 17, 1720 O.S., near the 'Idgāh, just west of Dihlī; and on October 20, he moved from Sarāe Sāhil to the Quṭb, and thence next day to Sarāe Bakhhāwar Khan where he intended to await an attack. When he learnt that Muḥammad Shāh was not advancing by the direct route, he changed his line of march, and made for Farīdābād, south of the capital.

affirming upon oath the House and Ground (of which they have been a long time possest) of right belongs to them.

ORDER'D that they continue in possession thereof.

Copy of Christoper Priem's Petition.

To the Hon. SAML. FEAKE Esqr. Presd^{t}. & Govr. of Bengall &c^{a}. Councill in Callcutta.

Hon^{d}. Sir & Sirs

The humble petition of Stephen Sidney & Christopher Priem Greeteth

That when one Mary Gomes (our Grandmother) dyed She left a little house to us your most humble Petitioners (tho' dyed without a Will) yet we have severall Wittnesses here present who can certifye the same) & the house is built on ground which belong'd to our Mother) our Wittnesses are ready to appear whenever Your Honr. &c^{a}. please to call them, Likewise we have injoy'd the said house many years without any hindrance or molestation; but now Mr. Stephen Shaw (who is gone home) pretends to lay a claime to itt, by his sending out an order for the sale of itt which is the reason that your humble Petitioners presumes of making this our applications to Your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. for redress and Justice, hopeing Youll be so favourable as to grant it us, and we shall ever be bound to pray for Your Hon^{r}. &c^{as}. wealth and prosparity being

Hon: Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Petitioners
& most obedient humble Servants
CHRISTOP^{R}. PRIEM
STEP^{N}. SIDNEY.

Attestation of Jan Drickiz &c^{a}.

We the Subscribers hereto do hereby attest what Stephen Sidney and Christopher Priem have mention'd in their petition to the Hon. the President & Councill of Fort William about the house which Mary Gomes gave them to be true, She acknowledging the gift of it severall times before us, before her death, likewise we very well know that the ground which the house is built on, belong'd to the Mother of the two Persons abovemention'd, before built, which we are ready to take our oaths of

JAN DRICKIZ
FRANCE NUNEST
ALEYXANDRE SERAO.

CALLCUTTA
the 15th August 1720

Jan Drickiz, Franc^{oe} Nunest, and Aleyxandre Serao, the Subscribers to the above written Attestation appear'd before Us the President and Councill in Bengall for the affairs of the Hon. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies in the Consultation room in Fort William this 24th day of November 1720. And being sworn upon the Holy Evengelists affirm what therein written to be

the reall truth, onely Franc^e^ Nunest declares himself ignorant of that part relating to the ground on which the house is built, belonging to the Mother of Stephen Sidney and Christopher Priem.

1548.—DEFEAT OF 'ABDU-LLAH KHĀN.

Thursday, December 1st.

The 25th Ult^o^ receiv'd a Generall letter from Mr John Deane Cheif &c^a^ at Cossembuzar, dated the 21st advising the news of Abdula-Caun's ['Abdu-llah Khān's] being defeated, & cut off; and that the Nabob has beat the Nabutt [*naubat*], for the victory gain'd by the King[1]; They further advise that the Nabob has been acquainted with their declaration, in relation to the Ship with Emperours Colours, the answer he made was, that he did not care what Nation they were so they did but bring money.

1549.—NEWS OF ABDU-LLAH'S DEFEAT CONFIRMED.

Thurday, December 1st.

The 26th receiv'd a letter from Mr Edward Stephenson at Pattna, dated the 15th Ult^o^ confirming the news of Maumood Shaw's [Muḥammad Shāh's] success in a bloody battle with the Syeds [Sayyads], in which Abdula Caun ['Abdu-llah Khān] was kill'd and his Party entirely defeated, So that it's hoped the Countrey will be settled.

1550.—COPIES OF THE WAQĀ'YĀS ANNOUNCING THE VICTORY.

Thursday, December 1st.

The 29th receiv'd a Generall letter from Mr John Deane &c^a^ at Cossembuzar, dated the 25th enclosing copys of the Vaccas [*waqā'yās*], or News papers, from Court, confirming Maumood Shau's [Muḥammad Shāh's] Success against the Syeds [Sayyads].

1551.—FALCONER TO BE *BAKHSHI* AND STACKHOUSE STOREKEEPER.

Thursday, December 1st.

Mr Waterworth Collett intending to return to England, on ship *Duke of York*, and the time of her dispatches drawing near, Now desires liberty to lay down his present Charge of Buxey [*bakhshi*], and Storekeeper, That those Gentlemen who succeed to those Posts and Charges may take a

[1] A two days' battle was fought on the 2nd and 3rd November, 1720 O.S., between the villages of Hasanpur and Bilūchpur, parganah Palwal. 'Abdu-llah Khān was wounded, and made a prisoner. He died in prison on September 30, 1722 O.S

particular Account of the Ballances, and give receipts for the same, according to the Hon. Company's Orders, Wherefore

AGREED that Mr. Thomas Falconer who succeeds as Buxey [*bakhshi*] take an exact Acco^{t} of every thing under the charge of that Post; And as Mr. John Stackhouse (who has been Sub-Accomptant and had charge of the Generall Books for six years) will succeed to Councill after Mr. Colletts departure,

ORDER'D he now take charge as Storekeeper, which will prevent the trouble and charge of twice weighing over all the Stores, in so short a time as betwixt this and the last Ships dispatches.

1552.—THE *HARRIOT* TAKEN UP AT FREIGHT.

Thursday, December 1st.

We being obliged as noted in Consultation of the 31st October to send all Our Ships partly loaden to Pipley-road to fill up, We find our Sloops do not make a Trip, & return under twelve or fourteen days, which must make the Ships intended for Madrass endanger their passages for England, and Mr. John Eyre offering us his Ship to freight at the same rate as We pay to all small Vessels, that is two rupees per bale,

AGREED that We immediately put on board her what Bales She can take in, And dispatch her forthwith under the charge of one of Our head-Pylotts, she burthening about one hundred and twenty Tons, Just fitted for her intended voyage to Maldevies, and has been survey'd by our Master of Attendance.

1553.—GROUND RENT FOR SŪTĀNUṬI AND GOVINDPUR.

Thursday, December 1st.

There being due to Subdebray [Subhdeva Rāi] Corowre [*karoṛi*] for four months Ground-rent due the 1st Inst. for Chuttanuttee [Sūtānuṭi] D: [*dih*] Callcutta in the Purganha [*pargana*] of Amieravad [Amirābād] in Jaffer Caūns [Ja'far Khān's] Jaggear [*jāgīr*], the sum of three hundred twenty five rupees Sicca; Also to Cirperam-ray [Kripārām Rāi] Corowre [*karoṛi*] for four months Ground-rent, due the same time, for the part of Govindpoore [Govindpur], in the Purgunha [*pargana*] of Callcutta, thirty rupees Sicca; Both sums amounting to three hundred fifty five Siccas, and now being demanded,

AGREED the President pay three hundred fifty five Madrass rupees, And present the Collector with one rupee as usuall.

1554.—TEN MONTHS' WAGES FOR THE RĀJMAHAL PEON.

Thursday, December 1st.

There being due to Morely [Murli] Peon at Rojamall [Rājmahal] ten months wages from the 1st Febry. to the 1st Inst. at 2rs. 8a. per month, the sum of twenty five rupees, he being now down, and requesting payment,

AGREED the President pay the same.

1555.—MARRIAGE OF MR. HENRY HARNETT.

Thursday, December 1st.

The 26th Ulto. Mr. Henry Harnett Factor[1] was married to Mrs. Ann Barlow.

1556.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR NOVEMBER 1720. REDUCTIONS ORDERED.[2]

Monday, December 5th.

Mr. Waterworth Collett late Buxey [*bakhshi*] now sent in the Muster Rolls of both Companys of Soldiers mustered and paid for the Month November,

ORDER'D that Abstracts thereof be enter'd after this Consultation and that the two Companys be reduc'd Vizt. Major Richard Hunt's to One hundred and fifteen Europeans and twenty five Portugueeze; Capt. Henry Dallibars to One hundred Europeans and twenty five Portugueeze; Including Corporalls, Drummers & Rounders.

(*1*) *Abstract of Major Richard Hunt's Compy. for Mo. November 1720.*

1	Major		65	
1	Lieutenant		24	
1	Ensign		24	
1	Master at Arms		20	
1	Serjeant Major		20	
1	Marshall		20	
9	Serjeants		180	
8	Corporalls		164	
1	Drum Major		20	
5	Drummers		59	
129	Europeans		1290	
2	Rounders		12	
40	Portugueeze		200	
200		Rupees ...	2049	[2038]

[1] Son of the late Capt. Henry Harnett. Appointed writer on November 15, 1715, as appears from the salary bill of Lady Day 1721, where he ranks as factor from November 15, 1720. He came to India on the *Cardigan* in 1713. See *English in Bengal* II, I, 360.

[2] Compare those for August, 1720, given on September 12, § 1501 above. The reductions were only partially carried out, see § 1586.

(2) *Abstract of Captain Henry Dallibar's Company for Month November 1720.*

2	Lieutenants	...	70
2	Ensigns	...	48
9	Serjeants	...	180
8	Corporalls	...	104
5	Drummers	...	59
2	Governours Guard	...	20
120	Europeans	...	1200
3	Rounders	...	18
37	Portugueeze	...	185
188		Rupees ...	1884

On Command at Cossembuzar

2 Corporalls
1 Drumer
4 Europeans

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1557.—DESPATCH OF THE *MARY*.

Monday, December 5th. The 3rd Inst. Mr. Samuel Greenhill return'd from Pipley, And acquaints Us that he dispatch'd Ship *Mary* from thence the 29th Ult°.

1558.—PHILLIPS TO DISPATCH THE *DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE* AND THE *DERBY*.

Tuesday, December 13th. All Papers being prepair'd for ye dispatch of Ships *Duke of Cambridge* and *Derby*

Agreed that they be sign'd and the Packetts made up; And that Mr. Thomas Phillips go down to Pipley, gett the Bills of Lading sign'd, And deliver the Captains their Dispatches for Fort St. George.

1559.—INTEREST PAID TO SEBBILA ROTT.

Thursday, December 15th. Sebbila Rott Mother to the Widdow of Richard Collins deceas'd having severall times acquainted us, her Daughter dyed the 15th July last, And humbly requesting We wou'd pay her eight months and an half Interest due to her on the three thousand rupees lodg'd in the Hon. Companys Cash, at Interest for her use during her life, And alledging she has left two Children on her hands,

AGREED the President pay her the Interest due to the time of her death and

ORDER'D that the Accomptant write off the principall to Acco$^{t.}$ Curr$^{t.}$ London, And that We advise the Hon. Court of Directors thereof that they may pay the same to those whom of right it belongs unto.

1560.—ACCOUNT BETWEEN MESSRS. HALL AND THEOBALD ADJUSTED.

Thursday, December 15th.

Mr. James Williamson Attorney for Mr. Thomas Theobald in Madrass, now sent in Acco$^{t.}$ stated between said Theobald, and Mr. William Hall deceas'd by which there appears due from the latter the sum of sixteen hundred eighty one rupees, two annas nine pyce currt. which he desires may be paid him out of said Hall's Estate. The above Acco$^{t.}$ at first sight appearing intricate, We have examin'd into it strictly, and find that at the time of the date of the Acco$^{t.}$ Curr$^{t.}$ sign'd by Hall, he was indebted to Mr. Theobald the sum of two thousand seven hundred twenty five rupees four annas, which money Messrs. Livesay & Boddam were empower'd to receive, but Hall not being in Cash, he gave them Bills for that sum on the following persons, Viz$^{t.}$ on Govr. Boone, which he concluded he would be able to discharge on the sale of 41 bolts of Canvas he

had sent him	1,316	2
On Mr. Francia at Suratt to whom he had sent an adventure of China Ware	1,409	2
Rupees ...	2,725	4

This appears by an obligation he gave them at the same time that in case said Bills were not discharg'd, he would be accountable with Interest from the date of said obligation. Mr. Francias Bill was duly paid but as the money did not come to Mr. Theobald's hands till May following, Interest is charg'd on that Summ from the date of said obligation till that time. Governour Boones was not; which is evident from his letter to Hall relating to the Canvas, wherein he orders Mr. Williamson to pay him six hundred rupees upon that Acco$^{t.}$ and for what shou'd be due to him more, he wou'd afterwards give orders for the payment; from hence it plainly appears that said Sum of sixteen hundred eighty one rupees, two annas, nine pyce is justly due from Hall's Estate to Mr. Theobald's, Wherefore

AGREED the President pay the same to Mr. James Williamson, And that We write to Governour Boone concerning the Ballance that may be due from him on Acco^{t}. of the Canvas Consign'd him by Hall.

First account.

Mr. William Hall deceas'd Account with Mr. Thomas Theobalds.

Dr.		Cr.	
To what charged in a former Accot. Current dated 1st January 1718-19 which Messrs. Livesay and Boddam were to receive but did not	1316 2	By Ballance Rupees ...	1681 2 9
„ Interest from 3rd January 1718-9 the date of the obligation he gave to make this money good in case not paid by Govr. Boone to 21st Novr. 1720 is 22 Mos. 19 days at 1 per cent. per Mensem	297 14		
To Interest on 1409·2 from 3rd January to 25th May 1719 (the time said money was paid) is 4 Mos. 23 days at 1 per cent. ...	67 2 9		
Rupees ...	1681 2 9		

Errors Excepted.

Pr. J. WILLIAMSON.

CALLCUTTA,
1st Novr. 1720.

Second account.

Mr. Thomas Theobalds.

Dr.			Cr.		
To Silver 337 oz. 16 dwts. 3 grs. at 240 rs. Sicca weight for 210 rs. Sicca is 787			By your respondentia bond for Pagodas 1000 at 15 pr. Cent res. Pag. pondentia is ... 1150		
Batta 12½ pr. Ct. ... 98.6. 9	885	6 9	Interest from the 1st of Octr. to the 1st Janry. 1718-9 being 3 Mos. at 9 per Ct. per Annum 25 31 40		
To a Stock note in the *Dolphin* ...	4603	10 1		1175 31 40	
To Govr. Boone for 41 bolts of Canvas at 30 rs. Bombay pr. Bolt 1230			At 305 Madrass rupees per 100 Pagodas with Batta		44 15 4
Batta 7 pr. Ct.... 86 2	1316	2	By your Bond for Pagodas 1100 at 7½ pr. Cent. Respondentia is 1182 18		
To Mr. Franchia at Suratt for China Ware as pr. Invoice to 420 Pagodas at 305 Madrass rupees pr. 100 Pagodas is Mads. Rupees 1281			Int. at 9 pr. Ct. for 3 Months ... 26 22		
Batta 10 pr. Ct. ... 128 2				1209 4	
Rupees ...	1409	2	At 305 Mads. Rupees for 100 Pngs. is with Batta		4056 2 6
	8214	4 10	By Cash receiv'd in Madrass from Mr. Theobalds		110
			By Cash recd. from Messrs. Livesay & Boddam on the Ball. of Persia fruit		103 3
			Rupees ...		8,214 4 10

Fort William January the 1st 1718-9.

Errors Excepted. Signed PR. WM HALL.

We attest this to be a true Copy of the Originall compar'd by us this day Fort St. George August 22d 1720.

JOSEPH GODDARD.
THO. NORMAN.

Mem. Interest to be paid on Mr. Franchias Note for rupees 1409. 2 at 12 pr Cent per Annum from Janry. 3rd 1718-9 to May 25th 1719 being the time it was paid by Capt. Boddam. Interest to be charg'd on the rups. 1316 2 at 12 pr Cent per Annum from Janry. 3rd 1718-9 till it's paid.

Obligation.

Whereas Mr. William Hall hath left in the hands of Messieurs Charles Boddam & William Livesay two Accounts being for two thousand seven hundred twenty five currant rupees four Annas payable at Bombay & Suratt he doe oblige himself to make the above mention'd good and to allow Interest for the same at 12 pr Cent pr Annum untill paid in Witness whereof I have hereunto signed two Notes of this Tenor & Date, the one being accomplish'd the other to be void dated at Callcutta Janry. the 3rd 1718-9.

We attest this to be a true Copy of the Originall compared by us this day. Fort St. George, Augt. 22nd 1720.

WM. HALL.

JOSEPH GODDARD.
THO. NORMAN.

Letter from Governor Boone.

Sir

I have receiv'd yours of the 2nd of January last, As to the Canvas I not having any receipt or bill of Lading, I knew not of whom to demand them, and being then at Surratt barr, it came down on the *Antelope*, and I find after a strict enquiry, they were put on board one of the Companys Vessels and cutt up; On her arrivall I will settle that affair, and procure you satisfaction.

I am, Sir,
Your Affth. Friend, & Servt.
CHA. BOONE.

BOMBAY CASTLE
17 Aprill 1719.

P.S. Since the foregoing Capt. Legmager assures me that he deliverd the Canvas to Capt. Bellew the Commander of the Company's Frigate above-mention'd but he not being at present here, I can't make any further search, however I have desired Mr. Williamson to pay you six hundred rupees, and whatever remains I will take care to send you.

Idem
C. BOONE.

MR. W HALL.

1561.—LIST OF STORES IN FORT WILLIAM.

Thursday, December 15th.

Mr. Waterworth Collett late Buxey [*bakhshi*] & Storekeeper now brought in the List of Stores remaining in his Charge which he has deliver'd over to Messrs. Thomas Falconer and John Stackhouse according to order of Consultation the 1st Inst.

(1) *Stores in the Buxeys* [bakhshi's] *Possession deliver'd over by Mr. Waterworth Collett to Mr. Thomas Falconer as per order of Consultation of the 1st December 1720.*

China Velvett eight yards	...	...	8
Saltee Timbers forty four	...	...	44
Warehouse Necessarys, Vizt.			
Stilliards one pair. Scales one pair, wth six Weights	...		1 1 6
Budgrows &ca. Boats. Two Dinghees. Four Budgrows			2 4
Petty Stores, Vizt.			
Four Netts. fourteen Seer & six Chattack of Wax	...		4 14 6
Ballasore Timbers, Twelve	...	...	12
Teak Timbers, Three ...	...	...	3
Tallow, five Maunds twenty four Seer	...	...	5 24
Deal Burgers three ...	...	...	3
Chunam [*chūnā*] Eight thousand two hundred eighty eight Maunds and twenty four Seer	...	...	8288 20

I hereby acknowledge to have receiv'd the above particulars from Mr. Waterworth Collett.

Delivered the above particulars W. Collett. Ts. Falconer.

(2) *Account of Stores remaining in Fort William 1720.*

				cwt.
Iron Europe Fifteen hundred Wt.		...	...	1500
Iron Mongers Ware Vizt.				
Brass locks sixty one ps.	...	...	...	ps. 61
Brass knob locks eight	...	...	...	8
Rim locks thirty ...	...	...	...	30
Stock locks eighty five	...	...	...	85
Padd locks thirty nine	...	...	...	39
Splinter locks fifty two	...	...	...	52
Hammers one hundred & three	...	...	...	103
Hand-vices eleven ...	...	...	...	11
Steel Spades thirteen ...	...	...	...	13
Seyths fourteen ...	...	...	...	14
Hand screws six ...	...	...	...	6

	cwt.
Grindstone one	1
Nailes Europe fifty seven Maund	Md. 57
	cwt. qr. lbs.
Steell twenty seven hundred one quarter & twenty rounds	27 1 20
Navall Stores	
Fine glass Lanthorns one	Ps. 1
Poop lanthorns	6
Top lanthorns	4
Lanthorn horns one thousand three hundred & eighty six	1386
Muscovy lights four	4
Brass box Compasses thirty one	31
Wooden box Compasses forty six	46
Compass Cards ninety one	91
Crown glasses seventy seven	77
Half hour glasses thirty eight	38
Needles ninety eight	98
	cwt. qr. lbs.
Cables three pz. one hundred and eight hund. Wt. three quarters & twenty four pounds 3 ps. ...	108 3 24
Coyls of Rope thirty two & one quarter ps. pz. three hundred forty seven Hundred [Wt.] & seven pounds ps. 32. ¼	347 — 7
	m. sr.
Tarr thirteen Maunds & eighteen seer	13 18
Anchors & Grapnalls	cwt. qr. lb.
Anchors forty nine ps. pz. five hundred ninety six hundred [Wt.] one quarter two pounds 49 ps. ...	596 1 2
Grapnalls fifteen ps. pz. twelve hundred [Wt.] two quarters & eighteen pounds 15 ps.	12 2 1
Goods bought of the Old Company	
Anchors thirty one pz. four hundred eighty one hundred [Wt.] three quarters four pounds 31 ps. ...	481 3 4
Military Stores	
Flints twenty three thousand seven hundred	Ps. 23700
Drums twelve	12
Drum heads fifty	50
Musquett lock two hundred twenty five	225
Swords twelve	12
Linseed Oyl nine gallons	Galls. 9
Leaden Pipes eight peices	Ps. 8
Chalk twelve Tonns	Tonns 12
Flint eight Tons	

Fire Arms. Bayonetts Musquetts two hundred twenty four, Sockett Bayonetts two hundred twenty four ...	Ps.	224
Sea Coales sixty seven charldron	Chn.	67
Leather Backs five peices	Ps.	5
Brass Ordinance		
Brass Guns one		1
Goods receiv'd from Bunjar		
Sawder half a peice		½
Copper six peices		6
Iron Ordinance		
	cwt. qr.	lb.
Iron Guns one hundred eighty seven, pz. six hundred forty nine Hundred [Wt.] one quarter one pound ...	649 1	1

1st December 1720.

Delivered the above particulars.

W. Collett.

Receiv'd the above Particulars.

Pr. Jno. Stackhouse.

1562.—ACCOUNT OF THE PIRATES.

Monday, December 19th.[1]

Yesterday by Cossids receiv'd a Generall Letter from the Governour & Councill of Fort St. George dated the 28th October, inclosing Copy of four paragraphs of a letter from Mr. Benjamin Franchia at Suratt, under date the 14th September last, Advising that the *London* & *Chandois* arriv'd at Bombay the 27th August, and the *Greenwich* the 7th September but last from Johanna, who brought the bad news of the *Cassandra*, which came out in company with her, being attack'd at Johanna by two Pyratts, one of fifty, and the other of thirty Guns; the *Greenwich* cutt, and run, but while She was in sight of the *Cassandra*, saw her make a stout defence, The *Greenwich* brought to Bombay four Pyratts they took at a small Island by Johanna, who report that there are eleven Sale of Pyratts come into India, severall of them from forty to fifty Guns, three of them were to cruize off Mocha, and the rest all about the Indian Coasts, He further advises that the takeing of the *Tossramany* a Moor's Ship, comeing from Judda, the Merchants lay'd the pyracey on the

[1] The moon was new on December 18.

English, and that he was afraid they should meet with abundance of trouble from the Government.

1563.—SUNDRIES SOLD AT OUTCRY.

Monday, December 19th.

Mr. Waterworth Collett late Buxey [*bakhshi*] now brought in an Acco^{t}. of Sundrys sold at Publick Outcry, receiv'd from Mr. James Williamson, which lay a whole year in his Godowns, and Nobody laid claim to, Amounting to three hundred sixty seven rupees eight Annaes.

Order'd that the particulars be enter'd after this Consultation the Ballance three hundred forty nine rupees two Annas being paid into Cash.

Fort William 11th October 1720.

Acco^{t}. Sale of Sundrys sold at Outcry receiv'd from the Worshp^{ll}. James Williamson's Godowns, Having no Owner, Mark'd & Number'd as per Margent.

Particulars Viz^{t}.

T + T	A ream of paper	... ...	Mr. Jordan	4	1	
	2 do.	... ...	Capt. Crampton ...	8	4	
	2 do.	... ...	Mr. Oadham	7	8	
	2 do.	... ...	Mr. Unwin	7	12	
	2 do.	... ...	Mr. Jordan	7	3	
	2 do.	... ...	Capt. Biggons	6	8	
	2 do.	... ...	Mr. Oadham	6	1	
	2 do.	... ...	Benj. Skinner	6	5	
	200 Quils	... ...	Mr. Eyre junr.	1	3	
	200 do.	... ...	Mr. Jordan	1	14	
	200 do.	... ...	Mr. Turner	1	14	
	200 do.	... ...	Mr. Oadham	1	15	
	200 do.	... ...	Capt. Biggons	2		
	200 do.	... ...	Mr. Oadham	2		
		r a				
M. D.	3 doz. of Beer at	1 4 per Gallon ...	John Sugar	11	4	
I. P. No. 1	3 do. do.	1 4 do. ...	do.	11	4	
	3 do. do.	1 4 do. ...	do.	11	4	
	1·3 Bott. do.	1 4 do. ...	do.	4	11	
M. D.	3 doz. of Beer at	1 7 do. ...	Capt. Jones	12	15	
I. P. No. 2	3 do. do.	1 6 do. ...	Mr. Barton	12	6	
	3 do. do.	1 7 do. ...	do.	12	15	
	2·11 Botts. do.	1 6 do. ...	Capt. Jones	12	0	6
I. B.	3 doz. of Beer at	1 10 do. ...	Capt. Dagleish	14	10	
N.	3 do. do.	1 10 do. ...	do.	14	10	
	3 do. do.	1 9 do. ...	Mr. Gee	14	1	
	3 do. do.	1 11 do. ...	do.	15	3	
	1 do. do.	1 11 do. ...	do.	5	1	
I F. No. 1	3 doz. pints Palm	3 4 do. ...	Capt. Jones	14	10	
	3 do. do.	3 5 do. ...	Harry Moore	14	14	6
	3 do. do.	3 6 do. ...	Mr. Fleetwood	15	3	
	50 bottles ½ out		John Sainsbury Loyd	12	8	
			Carried over ...	274		

							Brought over	...	...	274
I F, No. 2	3 doz. of old Hook at		3	per Gallon	...	Mr. Harnett	...	...	27	
	3	do.	do.	3 1	do.	...	Mr. Fitzhugh	...	...	27 9
	3	do.	do.	3 2	do.	...	do.	...	...	28 2
	1	do.	do.	3 6	do.	...	do.	...	...	10 2
										367. 8.[366. 13]
							Commission 5 per cent		...	18 0
							Rupees		...	349. 2 [348. 7]

Errors Excepted,

Pr W. Collett, Buxey,

BENGAL PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS.

From the 2nd January 1721 to the 22nd January 1722.

1564.—ZAMĪNDĀRI ACCOUNT FOR OCTOBER 1720.[1]

Monday, January 2nd.

Mr. John Eyre Jemindar [*zamīndār*] now gone down to Pipley-Road to dispatch Ships *Cardigan* and *Crags*, left the Account Revennues for the Month October with the Secretary, the gross Amount being four thousand four hundred twenty five rupees, fourteen annaes, nine pyce; particulars Vizt.

Ground-rent	1428		6
Gain on Cowries [*kauṛīs*]	30	6	
Duty on Grain	49	7	9
Mangon [*mangan*]	487	9	9
Molldarry [*māldāri*]	2	14	9
Duty on Arrack	74	4	
Tow buzarry [*tahbāzāri*]	211	3	9
Weighmen	110	6	9
Wood	9	7	9
Duty on rice	243	2	9
Pottahs [*paṭṭahs*]	1	2	
Caulkers	36	4	9
Banians [*banyās*]	5	6	
Brammins [*Brahmans*]	2	5	
Ferry boat	7	4	6
Cotton beaters	1	13	3
Hogs	1	1	6
Butty [*bheṭī*]	45	5	6
Laying boats ashoar	2		
Outcry of People's things who ran away ...	71	14	6
Vermilion	21	1	9
Conjee [*kānji*]	9		
Markett	241	11	9
Delolly [*dallāli*] of the Markett	2	13	
Subah Bazar [Sobhā Bāzār]	67		
Begum Bazar [Begam Bāzār]	25	9	3
Jean Bazar [Jān Bāzār]	25	1	3
Sale of houses	19	8	
Carried over ...	3233	5	9

[1] See the account for October 1717, § 1090 above.

Brought over ...	3233	5	9
Salamee [*salāmī*] of Pottahs [*paṭṭas*] ...	243	8	3
Recovering debts	34	7	
Peons fees	106	4	3
Marriages	9	9	9
Fines	159	8	
Bang [*bhang*]	32		6
Gussurah [*guzrān*][1]	289	13	3
Cowrah-pauncha[2]	63	1	3
Sale of ground	59	6	6
Sale of Houses	13	13	3
Cattwalley [*kotwāli*]	46	12	3
Sale of old Fetters	2	2	3
Kissooannah	70		
Paddy	65	1	6
House-hire	5	8	
Rupees ...	4434	5	9
[Given as ...	4425	14	9]
Deduct Charges ...	367	14	6
Rupees ...	4058		3

1565.—DEATH OF MR. WILLIAMSON.[3]

Thursday, January 5th.

The Worshp[ll]. James Williamson Esq[r]. departing this life the 3rd Inst. occasions a vacancey at this Board, & M[r]. John Stackhouse being next in succession, AGREED that he take his place as Ninth, and Last in Councill.

1566.—HOPES OF PEACE AND QUIETNESS.

Thursday, January 5th.

The 3rd Inst. receiv'd a Generall Letter from Mess[rs]. Edward Stephenson and Samuel Harwood at Pattna dated the 19th Ult[o]. enclosing their Charges Generall & Cash Accot[s]. for the Months of October & November; They advise that they have contracted with the Chupra Assamys [*asāmis*] for Saltpetre, and hope in a few days to bring the Singia [Singhiyā] Assamys [*asāmis*] to do the like on reasonable terms, when shall send a List

[1] 'Duty paid by lodgers who pay no rent.' See § 1711.

[2] 'A duty paid for oxen with burdens,' *ib.*

[3] Arrived factor, August 25, 1702. According to Capt. Fenwick, Williamson was haughty, almost tyrannical; but honest, honourable, experienced, and public-spirited. He was called the great Williamson.' See a letter in the Orme Collection, India, VI.

with whom and at what rates contracted; They also advise that they have sold a small quantity of Aurora broad cloth at seven rupees per Guz, and ordinary Green at three rupees twelve annas per Guz, the remainder they expect will go off at or near those prises; They hope that Mahmud Shaw's [Muḥammad Shāh's] success against the Syeds [Sayyads] will speedily restore the Empire to peace and quietness, tho' still there are some differences at Court; Seerbullund Cawn [Sarbuland Khān] is on his March from Cabull and Nazamullmulck [Niẓāmu-l-Mulk] from Ducan [Dakhin]; On their arrivall at Court it's generally beleiv'd One of them will be appointed Vizier.[1]

1567.—WILL OF JAMES WILLIAMSON.

Thursday, January 5th. The last Will and Testament of the Worshp[ll] James Williamson Esq[r.] was now produc'd before the Board by Mess[rs.] Thomas Falconer & Thomas White Trustees thereof.

Copy of Mr. James Williamsons Will.

In the Name of God Amen I James Williamson of Callcutta in Bengall Merchant being indispos'd in Body but of good and perfect mind & memory, do make, constitute and ordain this my last Will and Testament, revoking & annulling all former Wills and Testaments whatever.

Imprimis I recommend my Soul to Almighty God humbly imploring pardon for all my Sins, & my Body I desire may be decently inter'd at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named.

Item to my beloved Friend M[r.] Thomas Falconer I give and bequeath five thousand pounds Sterling.

Item to my beloved Friend M[r.] Thomas White I give and bequeath three thousand pounds Sterling.

Item to M[rs.] Catherine March I give & bequeath twelve thousand rupees Current of Callcutta.

Item to M[r.] Edward Rennolds I give and bequeath four thousand rupees Current of Callcutta.

Item to M[r.] John Bonkett I give and bequeath four thousand rupees Current of Callcutta.

Item to M[r.] Henry Harnett I give and bequeath four thousand rupees Current of Callcutta.

Item to M[r.] John Saunders I give and bequeath four thousand rupees Current of Callcutta.

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[1] Sarbuland Khān was replaced at Kābul by Nuṣrat Khān, son of Nāṣir Khān, on June 7, 1722 O.S., and reached Dihlī on the October 20, 1722 O.S. Niẓāmu-l-mulk, Aṣaf Jāh, did not leave the Dakhin until after the death of his cousin, Muḥammad Amīn Khān, I'timādu-d-daulah, January 16, 1721, O. S. He reached Dihlī on January 15, 1722 O.S., and was appointed to the office of *wazīr* on February 9 following.

Item to Mrs. Mary Legatt I give and bequeath ten thousand rupees Current of Callcutta, all her plate being given by me (the Beetle dish and Tea dish excepted, which were her own), a note at Interest under my hand which She has, of many years date, for two thousand Current rupees, principall with all the interest due from the date thereof, & her Diamond Earrings for which I paid Capt. Boddam, to be reckon'd as part of the abovesaid ten thousand rupees, the plate to be valued at a Current rupee for a Sicca rupee weight, & the Earrings at what I paid Capt. Boddam for them, her finger rings I make no Accot. of tho' given by me, which before mention'd sum I always design'd to give her, at my leaving India, besides the Furniture of her bed-chamber in my House, the rest of the Furniture in the Chamber at the end of the Hall and that in the Hall and in the little room I desire may be sold (except the China Ware on the Escrutores which I give her) my house I also desire may be sold, and if Mrs. Legatt is willing to give five thousand current rupees of Callcutta for it, I desire She may have it at that price.

Item to Mr. Richard Harvey I give and bequeath two thousand rupees Current of Callcutta.

Item to Mr. Robert Broadfoot I give and bequeath five hundred rupees Current of Callcutta.

After the performance of all which, the rest, and remainder of my Estate whatever, I give and bequeath to my honoured Father and Mother Robert and Jane Williamson now residing at Putney, & I do appoint the said Robert Williamson, Thomas Falconer, & Thomas White the Executors of this my last Will, & Testament. In Wittness whereof I hereunto set my hand & seal in Fort William in Bengall this nineteenah day of September 1720.

Signed, Sealed, & declared to be his last Will & Testament (where no stamp'd paper is procurable) in the presence of us.

J. WILLIAMSON (Seal.)

WM. FITZHUGH
ZECHARIAH GEE
J. PACKER

Zechariah Gee one of the Wittnesses to this last Will and Testament of Mr. James Williamson deceas'd, appear'd before us the President and Councill in Bengall for Affairs for the Hon. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies this fifth day of January 1720-21 in the Consultation room in Fort William, and being sworn upon the Holy Evangelists, declares upon Oath that he saw the Testator who was then in his perfect senoes, sign, seal, and declare this to be his last Will and Testament, he also saw the other two Wittnesses, namely William Fitzhugh who is gone to England on Ship *Derby*, and John Packer who is likewise gone to England on Ship *Crags*, sign as Witnesses.

1568.—PHILLIP MICHELL TO BE SUB-ACCOMPTANT.

Thursday, January 5th.

Mr. John Stackhouse having been Sub-Accomptant for severall years, now being taken into Councill, and Mr. Phillip Michaell who has for some months past, kept the Books under him,

ORDER'D that he now have charge of them as Sub-Accomptant.

1569.—DESPATCH OF THE *CRAGGS* AND THE *CARDIGAN*.

Monday, January 8th.

The 6th Inst. Mr. John Eyre return'd from dispatching Ships *Craggs* and *Cardigan*, and advises that he dispatcht them the 2nd Inst.

1570.—EDWARD CRISP TO BE ACCOMPTANT, AND THOMAS FALCONER EXPORT WAREHOUSEKEEPER.

Monday, January 9th.

By the decease of the Worshpll. James Williamson Esqr. the Accomptants and Warehousekeepers Posts are become Vacant, and as Hurry of business for the dispatch of the *Duke of York* will not permitt an immediate change of Posts

ORDER'D that Mr. Edward Crisp officiate as Accomptant, and Mr. Thomas Falconer as Export-Warehousekeeper.

1571.—IMPORT-WAREHOUSEKEEPER'S ACCOUNT FOR DECEMBER.

Monday, January 16th.

Mr. William Spencer Import-Warehouse-keeper now brought in an Accot. of Goods sold out of that Warehouse in the month December, Particulars, Vizt.

BROAD CLOTH Ordy by retail

	y.		r.	a.					
Sold Sundrys	14	@	2	12	per yd.		38·8		
Captn. Rowe	1	...		...	„	...	2·14		
Captn. Glegg	3		2	4	„	...	6·12		
	18							48	2

BROAD CLOTH fine by retail

	y.		rs.						
Sold Sundrys	11	@	8	pr. yd.		...	88		
Mr. Crisp	2 12	„	7	15	...	...	21	13	3
Mr. Braddyll	5 8	„	7	8	...	...	41	4	
Mr. Spencer	2 8	„	4	10	...	...	11	9	
Mr. Williamson	2 1	„	4	14	...	...	10	1	
Mr. Wessley	5	„	4	4	...	...	21		
	28 13							193	11 3
					Carried over	...	.....	241	13 3

			Brought over		241	13 3
BROAD CLOTH AURRORA by Retail						
	y.	rs.				
Sold Mrs. Bowridge	2 12	@ 5 0 per yd.	...	13 12		
Capt. Rowe	4 8	,, 3 6 ,,	...	15 3		
	7 4				28	15
DRUGGETTS by retail						
Sold Capt. Cave Silk	15	3 11	...	55 5		
Sundrys do.	17	2 7	...	41 7		
	32					
Mr. Spencer Stuff	6	1	...	6		
					102	12
VELVETS & SILKS						
	y. n.					
Brocade Sundrys	1 12	... ...	...	44 15		
Velvet Mr. Crisp	10	@ 10 5 ...	...	6 7		
					51	6
		sr. a.				
WHITE LEAD the Buxey [*bakhshi*]	7	@ 4 per Seer	...	...	1	12
GOODS BOUGHT OF THE OLD COMPANY						
Red Lead 2sr. at 8an. per sr.		... ...		...	1	0
FLINT WARE						
	lb. oz.	r.				
Sold Sundrys	2 7	@ 1 per lb. ...	...	...	2	7
				Rupees	430	1 3

1572.—NABOB'S ORDER CONCERNING THE OSTENDER BE SENT HOME.

Saturday, January 21st.[1]

The 19th Inst. receiv'd a Generall letter from the Worshipfull John Deane Esqr. &ca. at Cossembuzar, dated the 15th enclosing Copy of the Nabob's Perwanna [*parwana*] to the Ostender.

ORDER'D that it be translated and sent home in the *Duke of York* Pacquett.

[1] The moon was new on January 17, and January 21 was *Śrī Panchami*.

1573.—DEANE RETURNS TO CALCUTTA, CRISP SUCCEEDS AT CASSIMBAZAR.

Saturday, January 21st.

The 19th receiv'd a Generall letter from the Worshpll. John Deane Esqr. at Cossembuzar, dated the 16th, Mr. John Deane desires the liberty of returning to Callcutta, as not having enjoy'd his health for a long time, Wherefore

AGREED that Mr. Edward Crisp succeed him as Cheif of Cossembuzar, and get himself in a readyness to proceed up, and take charge of that Post; And that We grant Mr. John Deane leave to come down and take his Post as Second of this Board.

1574.—STICK LAC AT BALASOR BAD.

Saturday, January 21st.

The 19th Inst. receiv'd a Letter from Mr. Harry Clare at Ballasore dated the 13th Inst. advising that there has no Stick-laack been procurable in Ballasore this year but what was clotted in Lumps, and not fitt for the Hon. Companys use.

1575.—CAPTAIN HYDE'S REGISTER OF PRIVATE TRADE.

Wednesday, January 25th.

Captain Robert Hyde Commander of Ship *Duke of York* now deliver'd in his Register of Private Trade shipt on board said Ship amounting to rupees twenty six thousand, seven hundred sixty eight fourteen Annas.

To the Hon. SAMUEL FEAKE Esqr. &co. Councill at Fort William.
Hon. Sr. & Srs.

The undermention'd Goods being what I carry on my own Private Accot. on Ship *Duke of York*, I desire Your Honr. &ca. wou'd register the same, Vizt

Mullmulls [*malmals*] Cossajura

		rs.			
A	Pieces 29 at 21 per ps.	...	...	609	
B	„ 28 „ 20 „	...	...	560	
C	„ 34 „ 19 „	...	...	646	
D	„ 22 „ 18 „	...	...	396	
E	„ 12 „ 17 „	...	...	204	
	125				2415
		Carried over	..	.....	2415

			Brought over		...	.....	2415
Alliballies [*alvānīs*]							
A	15	20	...	...	...	300	
B	28	19	...	...	...	532	
C	37	18	...	...	...	666	
D	21	17	...	...	...	357	
E	12	16	...	...	...	192	
							2047
	113 ps.						
Quilled Hummums [*ḥammāms*]							
122 ps. at 65rs. pr. ps.			...	...	...		7930
Taffaties							
Chest No. 1	200	8		...	...	1600	
2	200	8		...	...	1600	
3	200	7		...	...	1400	
							4600
	600 ps.						
China Ware—							
No. C Fine blew & white Dishes for Soop			...	...	16 @ 2	r. 32	
Do. smaller			...	...	2 1	2	
Do. Fine large Soop Dishes					5 9	45	
Smaller do. blew and white				...	2 1	2	
Chamber potts do.				...	8 a. 12	6	
E. Large fine Dishes				...	4 r. 22	88	
Smaller do. blew & white for Soop				...	2 1	2	
Two Basketts & one Tub qt Vizt							
421 blew & white Chocolate Cups with handles at				...	a. 2	52 8	
19 small Mugs at				...	4	4 12	
2 Large China Jarrs at				...	r. 7	14	
One Chest qt Vizt							
Plates blew & white 129 per Co. [*corge*]					5	32 4	
Butter Potts 44 Nests 3 in a Nest				...	1	44	
Cups 239 / Saucers 304 } 543				...	...	6 pr %	35 8
Dishes blew & white 41 at				...	10 pr Co.	20 8	
Gold mugs 4 at				...	1 ea.	4	
Do. small 6 at				...	8 a.	2 8	
Blew mugs 5 at				...	10	3 2	
Carried over				...		389 13	16992

Brought over ...				389	13	16992
Blue smaller	6 at	...	6	2	4	
Sweetmeat plates colour'd & gold	11 at		8	5	8	
Chocalate Cups	do.	23 at	3	4	6	
		r.	a.			
Chamber pots	do.	3 at 1	8	4	8	

One Chest qt viz.—

5 Sets for a Tea table colour'd & gold of a small pattern & smooth.

5 Tea pots	5 Milk pots
5 Slop basons	5 Sugar pots
5 Tea Canisters	5 Patty pans
5 Boats	24 Chocalate cups
36 Tea Cups	60 Saucers is

5 Sets for a tea table at 18rs. per set ... 90

6 Do. same pattern crinkled

6 Tea pots	6 Milk pots
6 Slop basons	6 Sugar pots
6 Cannisters	6 Patty pans
6 Boats	69 Cups
70 Saucers	is

6 Setts for a Tea Table at 18rs. per Sett ... 108

Five Setts for a tea table large Flowers and smooth—

5 Tea pots	5 Milk pots
5 Slop basons	5 Sugar pots
5 Cannisters	5 Patty pans
5 Boats	25 Chocalate Cups
58 Tea cups	70 Saucers is

5 Setts for a Tea Table at 18rs. per sett ... 90

Five Do. same pattern crinkled

5 Teapots	5 Milk pots
5 Slop Basons	5 Sugar pots
5 Cannisters	4 Patty pans
4 Boats	25 Chocalate Cups
50 Cups	48 Saucers is

5 Setts at 18rs. pr Sett 90

Three Do. blew and white

3 Tea pots	3 Milk pots
3 Slop basons	3 Sugar pots
3 Cannisters	3 Patty pans
3 Boats	25 Chocalate Cups
36 Cups	36 Saucers is

3 Setts at 12rs. per sett 36

Carried over ... 820 6 16992

Brought over ...	820 6		16992
Dishes blew & white 27 at 10rs. per C°. ...	13 8		
D°. colour'd & gold 2 Nests 3 in a Nest ... 4rs. per Nest	8		
D°. 25 d°. 16 per C°.	20		
2 Bowls & 2 Dishes colour'd & gold at 4 per p^s.	8		
3 Chamber Pots d°. at 1 8 ea.	4 8		
7 Tea pots brown . at 4 ea.	1 12		
		877	2
		[876	2]
Screens 4 at 300 per Screen rs.		1200	
Soot Romalls 5 Corge at 40 per C°. ...		200	
Carridarries 2 d°. 45 d°. ...		90	
Chints Pattna 65 ps. 75 d°. ...		243	12
Doosutties fine 90 d°. 60 d°. ...		270	
Shellack 88 mds. 11 8 per M^d. ...		1012	
Rattans 1200 bundles at 60rs. per ℅ bundles ...		720	
Arrack 8 Leaguers at 90rs. per Leaguer ...		720	
Canes 4000 at 35rs. per hundred		400	
One Chest Lacquerd Ware q^t Viz^t—			
Tooth pick Cases 1 Box q^t 930 at 2^w each ...	116		
Standishes wth Sand and Ink boxes 100 at 1·8 ...	150		
Flat boards for Corner Cupboards 18 at 8 ...	144		
		410	
Cotton Yarn—			
M^d 2 3^s at 7^rs p^r Seer	560		
4 6 d°.	960		
1 6 8 d°.	364		
		1884	
Benjamin [Benzoin]			
2 Chests q^t 15 M^d at 50 R^s per M^d ...		750	
Rupees ...		26768	14
		[25767	14]

I am
Hon. S^r & S^rs
Your most obed^t. hum. Servt.
ROBERT HYDE.

FORT WILLIAM,
6th January 1720-21.

1576.—WATERWORTH COLLET RESIGNS THE COMPANY'S SERVICE.

Wednesday, January 28th.

M^r. Waterworth Collett designing to return to England on the *Duke of York* now lays down the Hon. Companys Service, having deliver'd over his Charge

of Buxey [*bakhshi*] to Mr. Thomas Falconer, & Storekeeper to Mr. John Stackhouse, who have given receipts for the same, as per Consultation the 15th past, and he standing charg'd with nothing more in the Hon. Companys Books,

AGREED that We give Captain Robert Hyde an Order to receive him on board the *Duke of York*, & give him the use of the great Cabin, He having paid ninety six rupees into the Hon. Companys Cash for permission as customary.

There being due to Mr. Waterworth Collett the Sum of one hundred and three rupees, one anna, eight pyce Sicca for three months, twenty six days Sallary from the 29th September to this day, which makes one hundred fifteen rupees, fifteen annas, nine pyce Current,

AGREED the President pay the same.

1577.—HUMPHREY COLE MADE CHIEF AT BALASOR.

Thursday, February 4th.

Mr. Waterworth Collett being gone for England on Ship *Duke of York*, occasions a vacancy at this board and Mr. Harry Clare being next in succession,

ORDER'D that Mr. Humphreys Cole gett himself in a readiness to proceed to Ballasore on Sloop *Cossembuzar* (now going down with Bales to the *Shaw-Allum* in Pipley road) to remain there as Resident, And that Mr. Harry Clare continue a small time to inform him and put him in a way of contracting with the best of the Weavers for the Investment, after which deliver all Accounts over to Mr. Cole taking his receipt for the Ballance and then proceed up to Us on the *Cossembuzar* Sloop in Order to take his place at this Board, as ninth and last of Councill.

1578.—COMPANY'S SLOOPS LET OUT AT FREIGHT.

Thursday, February 4th.

Our Hon. Masters Ships being all dispatch'd, and their Sloops return'd, the owners of Ship *Shaw Allum* have requested of Us to freight them as farr as Pipley road they being willing to pay the same as the Company paid to the private Sloops which was two Rupees per bale.

AGREED they be let out accordingly, the Hon. Company having no present service for them, and it will be a help towards defraying the Charge of refitting 'em.

1579.—SALTPETRE SENT TO MADRAS.

Thursday, February 4th.

The Govr. & Councill of Fort St. George having demanded eight thousand bags of Salt petre for Store at that Presidency, & the Europe Ships *Mary*,

Derby, and *Duke of Cambridge*, not being able to carry more than four thousand eight hundred twenty four bags, there remains three thousand one hundred seventy six bags to be sent them, and here being a new large Sloop bound to Fort St George, the Owners being willing to take in Salt Petre at the accustomary freight of two Rupees per bag.

ORDER'D that Mr Thomas Falconer Export Warehousekeeper lade as much on her as She can conveniently carry, in consideration it may be wanted at Madrass for their August Shipping, which it's sooner than it's possible any conveyance of the Hon. Company can offer.

1580.—GROUND RENT FOR GOVINDPUR AND SŪTĀNUṬĪ.

Thursday, February 4th.

Kiseram [Kishṇrām] Corowrey [*karoṛī*] demanding seventy Sicca Rupees for four months Ground rent due in December for the Part of Govindpoor [Govindpur] and Sootalootee [Sūtānuṭī] in the Purgunnah [*parganā*] of Pican [Paikān] in Jaffer Cawns [Ja'far Khān's] Jaggeer [*jāgīr*];

AGREED the President pay him seventy Madrass Rupees and present the Collector with half a Rupee as usuall.

1581.—DESPATCH OF THE *DUKE OF YORK*.

Monday, February 13th.

Mr Edward Crisp being return'd from dispatching Ship *Duke of York* advises Us that he dispatch'd her ye 30th Ult^o^.

1582.—CHARGES GENERAL FOR DECEMBER, 1720.

Monday, February 13th.

Charges Generall				1041	3 9
Charges Dyett				1238	4 6
Charges Reparation				264	8 6
Pylots Wages & Seamen in Monthly pay ...				818	
Charges Cattle				224	11 6
Military Viz^t^.					
Officers & Soldiers pay M^o^. Dec^r^.	2,877.				
Gunner & Gunroom crew d^o^.	522.	5.	3		
Reparation & petty charges	68.	6.	3	3467	11 6
Carried over ...				7054	7 9

Brought over	...	7064	7	9
Charges Budgrows	...	...	...	312	12	9
Cossimbuzar Sloop	...	...	...	72	14	9
London Do.	...	...	...	29	11	6
Charles Do.	...	...	...	10	2	3
George Do	...	...	...	38	14	6
Petty Stores	...	...	...	239	6	
Servants Wages in monthly pay	...	...	897	12	
Charges Oxen	...	...	...	28	15	
Charges Hogs	...	...	...	22	13	6
Charges Merchandize	...	...	...	1661	2	
Durbar [*darbār*] Charges	...	...	55	8	
Factors Provisions	...	...	...	60	8	
Timbers & Plank	...	...	...	76		
Rupees	...	10561		

1583.—CASSIMBAZAR GOODS TO BE PROVIDED.

Monday, February 13th.[1]

This being the proper Season for providing the November Bund Silk, and to have the Silk peice goods made of the same, which is not to be had if not timely bespoke, besides We hearing the French design immediately to send up People to Cossembuzar to settle their Factory there, which will of Course make all Goods rise in price, wherefore

AGREED we imediately write up to Mr. John Deane &c^{a}. and order them to contract for the following Goods being according to the List of Investment receiv'd from the Hon. Court of Directors by the last Ships, Viz^{t}.

Raw Silk November bund	...	600 Mds.
Jamawars [*jāmahwārs*]	...	2000 Peices.
Taffatys plain	...	12000 do.
Taffatys striped	...	2000 do.
Silk Lungee Romalls [*lungī rūmāls*]	...	4000 do.
Gurrahs [*gāṛhās*] fine 36 & 2¼	...	6000 do.
Ditto 30 & 2¼	...	2000 do.

[1] The moon was new on February 15.

We having two Chests of Bullion, and three Chests Madrass rupees in the Warehouse.

AGREED We now send them (on two boats under the Charge of a Serjeant, four Soldiers, & two Buxerys [*baksaris*] to make a beginning in their Investment.

1584.—RUMOUR THAT THE PATNA NABOB IS TURNED OUT.

Monday, February 20th.[1] The 15th Inst. receiv'd a Generall letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson, and Samuel Harwood at Patna dated the 30th Ultº. advising that it's believ'd the Nabob is turn'd out, and Nuzzurrutt Jaen Caun [Nuṣrat Yār Khān] appointed to succeed him, but as yet do not hear he has left Court.[2]

1585.—SURAT PIECE GOODS GIVEN TO THE MERCHANTS FOR MUSTERS.

Monday, February 20th. The Bale of Musters of severall Sorts of course Peice Goods receiv'd from Suratt as per Consultation the 28th September being now open'd and compared with the Invoice we deliver'd the same to Barnarseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh] our Broaker, with orders to make two pieces of each Sort, and bring them to Us, that in case we find they can make them like these Musters We may give Orders for a quantity to be made to send home to the Hon. Company by the next Ships, for their approbation.

1586.—NEWS OF THE NABOB'S DISMISSAL CONFIRMED.

Monday, February 27th. The 25th Inst. receiv'd a Generall letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson & Samuel Harwood dated the 8th at Singea [Singhiyā], enclosing their charges Generall and Cash accoᵗ. for the month of December; by which it is observ'd they have agreed for thirty four thousand, seven hundred eighty five Maunds of Salt-petre at sundry prices, And that they had made a beginning in the Cloth Investment, in which they meet with some difficulty, on Accoᵗ. the Nabobs being turn'd out, and going to Court as appears at large in their letter.

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[1] February 22 was Ash Wednesday.

[2] This must be meant for Sayyad Nuṣrat Yār Khān Bārha, who took Muḥammad Shāh's side against his relations, and as his reward was appointed to the province of Bahār in the rearrangements made in December 1720. His deputy on the spot was one 'Abdu-r-raḥīm Khān. Sayyad Nuṣrat Yār Khān died on June 24, 1722 O. S. 'Aqidat Khān, son of Amī Khān Sindhi, paid five lakhs of rupees and was appointed on September 14, 1722 O S.

1587.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR JANUARY, 1721.[1]

Monday, February 27th. Abstract of Major Hunt's Company for the Month January 1720-21.

		R.
1	Major	65
1	Lievtenant[2]	35
1	Ensign[3]	24
1	Master of Arms[4]	20
1	Serjeant Major[5]	20
1	Marshall	20
9	Serjeants	180
9	Corporalls	117
1	Drum Major	20
5	Drummers	59
91	European Soldiers	910
2	Rounders	12
23	Portugueeze Soldiers	115
146	Rupees	1597

Abstract of Captain Henry Dallibar's Company for the Month January 1720-21.

1	Lievetenant	35
2	Ensigns[6]	48
9	Serjeants	180
8	Corporalls	104
4	Drummers	52
2	Gov^rs. Guard	20
74	European Soldiers	740
2	Rounders	12
23	Portugeeze Soldiers	115
125	Rupees	1306

On command at Cossembuzar.

1	Lievetenant.[7]
12	European Soldiers.
138	

[1] Compare those for February and November, 1720, in the Consultations of March 14, December 5, §§ 1410, 1556 above. The reductions ordered in November have only been partially carried out.

[2] Capt. Nicholas Rowe.

[3] Ensign John Gulielmus.

[4] John Wyndham.

[5] Ewart Glandoorp.

[6] Theophilus Gammon and Henry Cross. The latter, appointed ensign by the Court of Directors, arrived on the *Duke of York*, August 8, 1720, and was given a commission in Dallibar's Company, § 1483.

[7] Capt. George Borlase.

1588.—HARRY CLARE MADE SECRETARY, LEAVING COLE AT BALASOR.

Monday, March 13th. Mr. Harry Clare being arriv'd from Ballasore,

AGREED He take his place as Ninth and Last of Councill as per Order of Consultation the 4th Ulto. and that He take Charge of the Secretarys Post.

The 7th Inst. receiv'd a Letter from Mr. Harry Clare at Ballasore,

Monday, March 13th. dated the 27th Ulto. advising of Mr. Cole's arrivall, And that he had sent for the Weavers, and inform'd him who are the proper Persons to contract with for the Investment.

1589.—THE INVESTMENT AT CASSIMBAZAR.

The 8th Inst. receiv'd a Generall letter from the Worshpll. John

Monday, March 13th. Deane Esqr. &ca. at Cossembuzar dated the 3d inclosing their Cash Accot. and Charges Generall for the month Febry. and that they had agreed for the following Goods

				r. a.	
Raw Silk Novr. bund	...	...	600 Mds. at	4. 12	pr. Seer.
Silk Lungee Romalls [*lungī rūmāls*]	...		4000 Ps. „	5.	
Taffatys plain	...	...	12000 „ „	7. 4	
do. striped	...	...	2000 „ „	7. 8	
Jamawars [*jāmahwārs*]	...	...	2000 „ „	15.	
Gurrahs [*gāṛhās*] 36 & 2¼	...	...	6000 „ „	45.	pr. Co.
do. 30 & 2¼	...	...	20000 „ „	35.	do.

They further advise that Futtichund, Durpnaran, and Cullian Mull [Fath Chand, Darpa Narāyan and Kalyān Mal] sent Peons for Our and the Dutch Vacqueels [*vakīls*], who were told that the Nabob had appointed them to demand, and receive a nuzeranna [*nazrānah*] from the English and Dutch, to Mahmudshaw [Muḥammad Shāh]; They demand sixty thousand rupees from the Dutch, but mention'd no Sum for Us, only telling the Vacqueell [*vakīl*] the Nabob would now oblige us to a Complyance, or else wou'd stop all Our Trade in his Subahship.

1590.—COLE REPORTS HAVING RECEIVED CHARGE FROM CLARE.

The 8th Inst. by Mr. Harry Clare receiv'd a letter from Mr.

Monday, March 18th Humfreys Cole at Ballasore dated the 6th advising of his having receiv'd the Ballance of all Accots. from Mr. Harry Clare and given a receipt for the same, and that the Weavers had come to a complyance in takeing the Dadney *dādnī*] which he should deliver them in a day or two.

1591.—SĪTĀ RĀM AND RĀM NĀTH'S BILL TO RUN AT INTEREST.

Monday, March 13th.

Sitteram & Ramnaut [Sītā Rām and Rām Nāth] having paid into the Hon. Comp^s. Cash ten thousand Rupees the 27th of last month, and desiring Bills of Debt for the same,

AGREED We give them a Bill for ten thousand rupees, Interest to commence from that day in consideration We shall be in want of Money before the Hon. Compsnys Ships can arrive to pay off the Pattna Bills, buy Cowries, & pay off Garrison &c^a Charges.

1592.—STOREKEEPER'S ACCOUNT FOR FEBRUARY, 1721.

Monday, March 13th.[1]

M^r. John Stackhouse Storekeeper this day brought in an Acco^t. of Stores sold by him out of the Hon. Companys Storehouse in the month February amounting to Rupees eight hundred sixty two, six Annas, nine Pyce, Viz^t.

	cwt. lb.		rs.				
IRON EUROPE	67 2 at		9 per cwt.	...	...	603	2 6
IRON MONGERS WARE Viz^t							
Brass lock	1	...	5				
Stock locks	2	...	2				
d^o.	1	...	1 8				
d^o.	1	...	5				
	4						
Staples	4						
Padlocks	2	...	2				
Splinter locks	2	...	1				
D^o.	3	...	1 14				
D^o.	1	...	12				
D^o.	3	...	2 4				
	9						
Staples 9							
Handvices 2		...	2			23	6
NAVALL STORES Viz^t							
	cwt. q. lb.						
Rope a Coil wt.	4 8 at		15 rs. p^r. cwt.		61 1		
Lanthorn Tinn, 1					3	64	1
ANCHORS & GRAPNALLS Viz^t							
	cwt. q. lb.						
Anchors 2 wt.	7 2 27						
	cwt. q. lb.						
D^o. 1	3 2 24	11 1 23	@ 15 pr. cwt.			171	13 3
					Rupees	862	6 9

[1] The moon was new on March 17.

1593.—SURVEY OF THE COMPANY'S SLOOPS.

Monday, March 20th. Captain John Jones Master of Attendance and Henry Cockram Ship Carpenter having survey'd the Hon. Companys Sloops, & given in a report of what repairs are necessary.

Order'd that the Buxey [*bakhshi*] have them repair'd accordingly.

To the Hon. Samuel Feake Esqr &ca Councill

Hon. Sir & Sirs

We the under Subscribers have examin'd and overlooked the Hon. Comp^{s}. Sloops relating to the repairs they will want for their Outsett, and what other materiall alterations that will be necessary to be done to them.

The *Charles* Sloop to be rais'd forward on the Bows about thirteen Inches, which will make her much better for riding at anchor, also She must be grav'd, and some other small necessary work which will be wanted.

The *Cossimbuzar* Sloop having receiv'd some damage lying along side the Europe Ships, there must some part of her Whale be shifted, and a few top Timbers be put in her, She must be grav'd and some small other necessary work which will be wanted.

The *George* Sloop being very deep in the Wast it was something dangerous her shipping a great quantity of water, which might prove of ill consequence; we beleive it very proper to raise her Deck which will make her much fitter for the Sea, and for stowing more bales; her rudder Irons being much worn, so that they must be made new which is all the materiall matter that's to be done to her Hull; she will want a new boom the old one being sprung and not serviceable.

The *London* Sloop will want a new Mast, and about ten foot keel to be put in her, the fore part of the old Keel being very much shatter'd, so that there is no security for the Bolts; it will be necessary to strip off some part of her sheathing to shearch her hodding's ends, and between wind and water; Also she must be grav'd, and some other small necessary work which will be wanted.

We are
Hon. Sir and Sirs
Your most Obed^{t}. Hum. Serv^{ts}.
John Jones
Henry Cockram.

Calcutta,
22^{d} *March 1720/21.*

1594.—THE PATNA NABOB REFUSES TO GO.

Monday, March 27th. The 24th Inst. receiv'd a letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson and Samuel Harwood at Pattna, They advise that the Nabob notwithstanding the possitive orders receiv'd from Court to deliver up the Fort to the Duan [*diwán*],

still continues at Pattna, in hopes the vast sums he has remitted to the favourite Courtiers, may be a means of having his Post restored to him; Also that the Chuckwars [Chakwārs] have defeated a Party of Horse sent by the Nabob, upon which he has since Order'd four thousand horse against them, but they have not come to an Engagement.

1595.—SALARIES DUE 25TH MARCH, 1721.

Acco^{t}. six months Sallary to Company's Servants.[1]

Monday, March 27th. The Acco^{t}. Sallary due to the Hon. Companys Covenant Servants from the 29th September 1720 to the 25th March 1721 was this day brought in by the Sub-Accomptant, amounting to rupees four thousand seven hundred forty five twelve Annas, Viz^{t}.

		rs.	Siccaes.
The Hon. Samuel Feake Esqr Presid^{t} & Governour			
6 M^{os}. at £ 200 per Ann.		800	
Gratuity 6 D^{o}. £ 100 „		400	
		——	1200
The Worshp^{ll}. James Williamson, Esqr, from 29th Septr. to the 3rd Jan^{ry}. is 3 mo. 5 d. at £ 40 per Annum			84 7
M^{r}. Thomas Falconer ... ... 6 M^{os}. at £		40	160
M^{r}. William Spencer ... ... 6 „ „		40	160
M^{r}. John Eyre ... ... 6 „ „		40	160
M^{r}. John Stackhouse ... ... 6 „ „		40—160	
Sub-Accomp^{t} to 5th Jan^{ry}. ... 3¼^{m}. @		40— 86-10-9	
		——	246 10 9
M^{r}. Harry Clare ... ... 6 „ „		40	160
2 { Michael Cotesworth Senr. Merch. ... 6 „ „		40	160
2 { John Sainsbury Loyd Junr. d^{o}. to 14th Jan. @ £		30— 70	
Senr. Merch^{t} from that time @		40— 66-10-9	
		——	136 10 9
Carried over ...			2467 12 6

[1] Besides those at Fort William whose names are given here, there were at Cassimbazar John Deane, Charles Hampton, Francis Russell Samuel Fazackerly, Geo. Mandeville, William Haskall, Charles Bedford. Edward Crisp had left for Cassimbazar to take over charge from John Deane. Edward Stephenson and Samuel Harwood were at Patna; Humphrey Cole, Christopher Birkhead, and Stephen Scott at Balasor. By the death of Williamson, Deane, Crisp, and Stephenson were now 2nd, 3rd and 4th in seniority.

					Siccaes.
	Brought over ...				2467 12
Junr. Merchts. 6	William Spinckes	Junr. Merchr	... 6 Mos. @ £	30	120
	Thomas Braddyll	do.	... 6 „ „	30	120
	John Dix	do.	... 6 „ „	30	120
	Thomas Phillips	do.	... 6 „ „	30	120
	Edward Rennolds	do.	... 6 „ „	30	120
	Phillip Michaell	do.	... 6 „ „	30—120	
	Gratuity as Sub-Accompt from 5th Jan. @ ...			40— 73-5-3	
					193 5 3
Factors 6	John Bonkett	Factor	... 6 Mo. at £	15	60
	Thomas White	do.	... 6 „ „	15	60
	Gabriell Hanger	do.	... 6 „ „	15	60
	Thomas Coales	do.	... 6 „ „	15	60
	Thomas Cooke	do.	... 6 „ „	15	60
	Henry Harnett Writer to 15th Nov. @ ...			5— 5-5-3	
	Factor from that time @ ...			15— 44	
					49 5 3
Doctors 2	Oliver Colt	Doctor	6 Mo. at £	36 per Ann.	144
	Richard Harvey	Do.	6 „	36 „	144
Writers 16	Richard Eyre	Writer	6 Mo. at £	5 per Ann.	20
	William Tipping	do.	6 „ „	5	20
	William Bruce	do.	6 „ „	5	20
	Matthew Wessley	do.	6 „ „	5	20
	John Harris	do.	6 „ „	5	20
	Thos. Joshua Moore	do.	6 „ „	5	20
	Samuel Greenhill	do.	6 „ „	5	20
	Jacob Des Tombe	do.	6 „ „	5	20
	John Oldmixon	do.	6 „ „	5	20
	Edward Pomfrett	do.	6 „ „	5	20
	Soloman Margas	do.	6 „ „	5	20
	Robert Turner	do.	6 „ „	5	20
	John Forster	do.	6 „ „	5	20
	William Davis	do.	6 „ „	5	20
	Thomas Unwin	do.	6 „ „	5	20
	Nathaniell Hall	do.	6 „ „	5	20
				Sicca Rupees	4218 7
				Batta 12½ per Cent	527 5
				Rupees	4745 12

1596.—CRISP LEAVES FOR CASSIMBAZAR.

The 20th. Inst. P. M. Mr. Edward Crisp left this Place for Cossembuzar.

Monday, March 27th.[1]

[1] March 29 was the Mesha *sankrānti*, the first day of the Hindu solar year.

1597.—GOVERNMENT AT CASSIMBAZAR STILL UNFRIENDLY.

Monday, April 3rd.

The 31st Ultº. receiv'd a Generall letter from the Worshpll. John Deane Esqr. &cª Councill at Cossembuzar. They advise the Governments Peons are still continued upon Our and the Dutch Vacqueels [*vakīls*], but they are in hopes they will desist from their unreasonable demands upon them unless the Dutch are brought to a complyance.

1598.—MEASURES AGAINST ANGRIA.

Monday, April 3rd.

The 1st Inst. receiv'd a Generall letter from Govr. Boone &c Councill at Bombay dated the 9th Decr 1720. They advise that in a late expedition against Angria they have destroy'd two of his best Grabs,[1] and burnt two large ships, & severall Galleys on the Stocks, which damage they believe will disable him from appearing abroad a season or two; and that they have fitted out two Europe Ships and three Grabs to cruize as far as Cape Comorine, which are a sufficient match for the Pyrates in case they fall in with them.

1599.—FREEZE, A PILOT, FINED 500 RUPEES.

Monday, April 3rd.

In Consultation of the 15th August last notice is taken of Freeze Pylott, having brought in the *Cossembuzar* Sloop to attend a French Europe Ship up the River, but We did not think it advisable to punish him at that Juncture least he shou'd desert, and take the French service who were in want of Pylotts, and We so bare of good ones, that the loss of him wou'd have laid us under great inconveniencys, for which reason We deferr'd calling him to Account 'till now, all Our Ships are gone out We sent for him, and finding he can make no defence more than that he brought her in to carry him back to Ballasore with design We shou'd not know of his coming, wherefore

ORDER'D he be fined five hundred Rupees, and threatned to be whipt at the Post, and sent home in Irons, he, or any other of our Pylotts, who shall ever do the like for the future.

1600.—WILL OF MICHAEL EMMERSON.[2]

Monday, April 3rd.

The last Will and Testament of Mr. Michaell Emmerson Deceas'd was now brought in by Mr Thomas White, and prov'd.

[1] Grab, from an Arabic word *ghurāb*, see Yule and Burnell's *Glossary*, p. 398.

[2] He arrived writer, August 13, 1712. See *English in Bengal* II, 1, 205; but it seem that he soon left the Company's service.

Buxey to take care of his effects.

Mr. Emmerson's Will not nominating Trustees to take care of his Effects,

ORDER'D that the Buxey [*bakhshi*] take care of them, and receive from Mr Thomas White his Attorney what Papers are in his hands relating to Mr. Emmerson's Affairs.

Copy of Mr. Michael Emmerson's Will.

Be it known to all Men that I Michael Emmerson of Callcutta in Bengall being in perfect health, and understanding do make this my last Will and Testament revoking all others by me formerly made.

I give my Friends Messrs. Edward Stephenson and Thomas Falconer each four hundred rupees.

I give to my Brother John Emmerson[1] the remaining part of my Estate after all Charges and Debts are paid.

In Wittness whereof I have put my hand and Seal hereunto this 20th day of November 1719.

Sign'd seal'd and acknowledged in presence of us
J. W. WAKE
GABL HANGER

M. EMMERSON.

Seal.

Mr. Gabriell Hanger one of the Wittnesses to this last Will and Testament of Mr. Michael Emmerson dec'd. appear'd before us the President and Councill in Bengall for Affairs of the Hon. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, this third day of Aprill 1721 in the Consultation Room in Fort William, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists declares upon Oath that he saw the Testator who was then in his perfect sences, Sign, seal, and declare this to be his last Will and Testament, he likewise saw the other Wittness Vizt. Mr. William Wake who is gone to Surratt sign as a Wittness.

1601.—EFFECTS OF AN ARMENIAN MERCHANT TO BE SEIZED AND SOLD.

Monday, April 3rd.

There being severall Demands made here upon Coja [Khwājah] Aratoon Armenian,

ORDER'D that his Effects be seiz'd and sold at publick Outcry, and a Dividend made of the produce amongst his Creditors.

1602.—ARRIVAL OF JOHN DEANE.

Monday, April 10th.

The Worshpll. John Deane Esqr. arriv'd from Cossimbazar yesterday, having deliver'd over his Charge to Mr. Edward Crisp, who arriv'd there the 27th Ult°. and taken the necessary receipts, And this day takes his place at this Board as Second of Councill.

[1] At Fort St. George. See § 1152, p. 48, and § 1637, p. 348.

1603.—INVESTMENT IN SILK AT COSSIMBAZAR.

Monday, April 10th. The 9th Inst. receiv'd a letter from Mr. Edward Crisp &ca. at Cossimbazar dated the 5th advising Mr Deane &ca. had prized three hundred twenty three Maunds, twenty one Seer, & twelve Chetanck of Silk, and that they were in hopes of getting in the whole quantity demanded before the rainy Season set in.

1604.—LETTERS OF REMONSTRANCE TO BE SENT TO THE FAUJDĀR AT BALASOR AND TO THE NABOB AT CUTTACK.

Monday, April 10th.[1] The 8th Inst. receiv'd two letters from Mr. Humfrey Cole at Ballasore dated the 2nd and 3rd advising that the Moors Government there wou'd not permitt the Countrey boats to go off with Our Pylotts to Ships in the Road, and prevented People's coming to work in the English Ground, wherefore

AGREED that a letter be wrote requiring him to forbear molesting Our Cheif there on any Account, And another to his Father Sujah Cawn [Shujā' Khān] Nabob at Cuttack, to be sent if he take no notice of what We write.[2]

1605.—GROUND RENT OF SŪTĀNUṬĪ AND CALCUTTA IN AMIRĀBĀD.

Monday, April 10th. Sookdebray [Sukhdeva Rāe] Crowree [*karoṛī*] demanding the Ground-rent of Chuttanuttee [Sūtānuṭī], and De [*dih*] Calleutta in the Purugnna [*parganā*] of Amieravad [Amirābād] for four months due this month Aprill, amounting to three hundred twenty five rupees Sicca,

AGREED the President pay the same and give the Collector one Rupee.

1606.—GROUND RENT OF GOVINDPUR AND CALCUTTA.

Monday, April 10th. Nimuray [Nimu Rāe] Crowree [*karoṛī*] demanding four months Ground Rent for the parts of Govindpoor [Govindpur], and Calleutta amounting to rupees Sicca thirty, due this month,

AGREED the President pay it, and present the Collector one rupee.

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[1] April 9th was Easter Day.

[2] This Shujā 'Khān must be Shujā'u-d-dīn Muḥammad Khān, son-in-law and successor of Ja'far Khān. He held the deputy governorship of Orissa until Ja'far Khān's death in June 1727, when he succeeded as governor of the three provinces. He died himself on the 14th April 1739 O.S. aged nearly eighty.

1607.—SALTPETRE TO BE BOUGHT.

Monday, April 10th.

There being a quantity of Salt petre offer'd to Us for Sale at five Current Rupees per Buzar Maund,[1] and the Merchants being willing to stay for the money 'till the arrivall of an Europe Ship,

AGREED Mr. Thomas Falconer Export Warehousekeeper do receive and weigh it off, which will prevent it's falling into the hands of the French who are using all means to secure what they can.

1608.—LIST OF INVESTMENT TO BE DRAWN OUT.

Monday, April 10th.

The Dutch and French having given out Dadney [*dādnī*]] for the ensuing Year, it becomes high time for Our Merchants to make a beginning at the Aurungs [*aurangs*],

ORDER'D that Mr. Thomas Falconer Export Warehousekeeper draw out, from the List of Investment receiv'd last from England, a List of two thirds of the quantity of each specie therein mention'd, except the Gurrahs [*gāṛhās*] and Cotton Yarn, of which the whole quantity and quality to be specified, according to the Hon. Companys Orders in that List, and their other Observations dated Anno 1716, deducting the quantity of each Specie which is already packt up in the Warehouse, and that he bring it in, in order for Our contracting with the Merchants; The other third part of the List We deferr contracting for 'till the receipt of the List by the expected Shipping, in order to comply therewith as near as possible.

1609.—JOHN BAPTISTO ALANO'S EFFECTS ATTACHED.

Thursday, April 13th.[2]

Sundry Persons Creditors of John Baptisto Alano, not having receiv'd their proportion of a Dividend made at Madrass of a sum of money belonging to the said John Baptisto Alano, and desiring an Attachment may be made on his Effects here, to Secure what due to them.

ORDER'D that his House and Effects be attacht in Mr. Cook his Attorney's hands And that their Request be enter'd in the Register Book.

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[1] The *bāzār man* was 82 lbs. avoirdupois. The factory *man* was ⅔ of a cwt.

[2] The moon was new on April 15.

1610.—ZAMINDARI ACCOUNT, FEBRUARY, 1721.[1]

Monday, April 17th.

The Account Revenues for the month of February was now brought in by Mr. John Eyre, Jamidar [*zamīndār*].

	R.	a.	p.
Ground Rent	920	2	6
Gain on Cowries [*kauṛīs*]	12	6	
Duty on Grain	157	7	9
Mangon [*mangan*]	413	13	6
Molldarry [*māldāri*]	3	10	
Towbuzzarry [*tahbāzāri*]	122	5	
Wood	20	7	6
Potts	1	2	
Weighmen	184	5	3
Caulkers	35	2	6
Banyans [*banyās*]	7	15	
Brammins [*Brahmans*]	2	5	3
Ferry Boats	7	4	3
Cotton beaters	1	13	3
Vermilion	21	1	6
Hogs	1	1	9
Conjee [*kānji*]		9	3
Markett	264	2	9
Dellolly [*dallāli*] of the Markett	2	13	
Subah Buzar [Sobhā Bāzār]	49	6	3
Jean Buzar [Jān Bāzār]	25	1	3
Begum Buzar [Begam Bāzār]	25	9	3
Sale of Houses	107	4	9
Sallammy [*salāmi*]	44	5	6
Recovering Debts	7	6	
Peons Fees	46	12	
Marriages	379	10	3
Fines	63	12	9
Sale of boys	3	4	9
Bang [*bhang*]	87	1	9
Duty on Rice	32	3	
Butty [*bheṭi*]	126		
Sale of Ground	1	1	6
Sale of Paddy [*pādi*]	41	12	3
Wages of Servants dead	2	14	6
	3223	9	9
Deduct for Charges ...	335	7	
Ballance Rupees ...	2888	2	9

[1] See explanations at § 1090.

1611.—DAMAGED GOODS IN THE EXPORT WAREHOUSE TO BE SOLD AT OUTCRY.

Monday, April 17th.

Mr. Thomas Falconer Export Warehousekeeper now brought in an Account of Goods damaged in that Warehouse, Viz^{t}

132 Peices Cossombuzar Taffatys striped
1 Peice do. plain
2 Peices of Dooreas [*doriās*]
10 Peices of Patna Chints
1 Peice of Baftaes [*bāftas*]
2 Peices of Lackowries [*lākh-kawrīs*]
1 Peice of Emmerties [*amirtīs*]
4 Peices of Chucklaes [*chaklās*]
33 Peices of Doosutties [*dusūtīs*]
85 Peices of Nillaes [*nilās*]
473 Blankets
220 Peices of Wrappers
140 Remnants do.
8 Bundles do.

Orderd that they be sold at Publick Outcry and the Amount paid into Cash before the closing of the Generall Books.

1612.—DAMAGED GOODS IN THE IMPORT WAREHOUSE TO BE SOLD AT OUTCRY.

April 17th.

Mr. William Spencer Import Warehousekeeper now brought in an Account of broad Cloth &c^{a} damaged and perrishing in his Godown, Viz^{t}

			yds.	na.
Broad Cloth Ord^{y} Green in remnants	...	...	105	9
Do. Do. Red	do.	...	18	6
Do. Aurora	do.	...	17	8
Fine Scarlett	do.	...	44	1
Do. Green	do.	...	3	3
Medleys	do.	...	66	6
Blew	do.	...	8	3
Purple	do.	...	6	3

Order'd that it be sold at Outcry and the Amo^{t} paid into Cash, before the closing of the Generall Books.

1613.—SURVEY OF THE *GEORGE* BRIGANTINE.

Monday, April 17th. Captain John Jones and Henry Cockram having survey'd the *George* Brigantine according to Order of Consultation the 10th Inst. now gave in their report of what repairs and alterations are necessary,

ORDER'D that She be repair'd accordingly, And that their report be enter'd after this Consultation.

To the Hon. SAMUEL FEAKE Esqr. &c^{a}. Councill

Hon. Sir & Sirs

According to your Orders We survey'd the *George* Brigantine and find that her hause holes are very high, so that the Windlace is placed accordingly, which makes it very tedious and dangerous when they are purchasing their Anchors, We judge the most properest way will be to raise the Forecastle and the forepart of her main deck.

She is very deep in the Waste, & it wou'd be very convenient to lay another Deck on her She will burthen more and have more roome for the Cables Water &c^{a}. between Decks, where now She carries in the Hold which takes up a great part of it; This alteration will make her much better for the Sea; Her foremast is very rotten and the Bow-spritt is sprung they are not serviceable again, so that She must have new, also a Fore-Yard, Topmasts, and other things which will be necessary to be done. Dated in Fort William the 14th Aprill 1721.

We are

Hon. Sir and Sirs,

Your most obed^{t}. humble Servts.

JOHN JONES

HENRY COCKRAM.

1614.—SLOOPS WITH THE PILOTS TO SEE THE BUOYS LAID.

Tuesday, April 25th. The Dutch Sloops being going down the River to lay the Buoys,

ORDER'D that the *Charles*, *George* and *London* Sloops, with our Pylotts and Masters aboard, join them, And go to see the Buoys laid.

1615.—JOHN BASHPOOL'S ACCOUNTS.

Thursday, April 27th. Mr. William Spencer late Buxey [*bakhshi*] now brought in John Bashpool's Account Outcry and Account Current the Ballance of which being one thousand and forty one Rupees, six Pyce, he has paid it into the Hon. Companys Cash,

ORDER'D that it lay there till the Company's Orders concerning it be receiv'd.

His house rent to be paid Richard Deane's Daughter.

There being a brick House in Town belonging to John Bashpool, ORDER'D that it be let out on hire, and the Rent paid toward the maintainance of the Daughter of Richard Deane deceas'd, who was barbarously murder'd by the said John Bashpool, and died in very mean circumstances.

Dr. John Bashpool Cr.

	r.	a.	p.		r.	a.	p.
To Cash paid Mr. Bergee ...	156	9	9	By the Amount of his Outcry Accot.	844	8	9
To do. paid Mr. Michell ...	44			By the Ballance of Mr. Cony's Account ...	19	9	6
To do. paid Capt. Borlace	33			By the Ballance of Nederams Accot. ...	625	15	
To do. paid Mr. Cassels ...	82	8					
To do. pd. the Coopers Note	17	15					
To one Outcry Note ...	9	10					
To Cash pd. John Blumstead	14	4	6	Rupees ...	1490	1	3
To do. pd. Mr. Thomas Cooke ...	12						
To do. pd. Servants Wages & Slaves diet ...	17	8					
To do. pd. his Dyet 14 mos. @ 4 M Rs. 56.—— Batta ... 5 9 6	61	9	6				
	449		9				
Ballance	1041		6				
Rupees ...	1490	1	3				

Errors Excepted

pr. WM. SPENCER, Buxey [*bakhshi*].

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27th Dec. 1720

1616.—STORES WORN OUT AND USELESS TO BE SOLD AT OUTCRY.

Thursday, April 27th. Mr. John Stackhouse Storekeeper gave in the following Accot. of Stores useless, and worn out, Vizt.

Gimblets 62. Files 49. Hatchets 3. Axes 6. Augers 30. Plain-irons 92. Saws 5. Tapbores 4. Pincher Stock Springs 2. Do. Bitts 19. Plains 122 broad Chizels & Goughes 43. Saw-sets 24. Callipers 5. bench Hooks 8. Jointers 2. Saw-Plates 4. Wimbles 3. Pinchers 2. Punchers 6. Plumb 1. Glew-pot 1. Gages 2.

ORDER'D that they be sold at Outcry, and brought to Accot. this month.

1617.—EXPENSES OF THE NEW ROAD.

Monday, May 1st.

Mr. John Eyre Jeemeendar [*samīndār*] now brought in an account of the Charge of making a new Road and Bridges from the Factory towards Govindpoor [Govindpur]; And of what Sums were collected from the Merchants &c^a. toward the defraying that Charge.

1618.—CONSULAGE FOR 1720.

Monday, May 1st.

The Account of Consulage from the 22^d of August 1720 to this day was now brought in by the Secretary amounting to Rupees seventeen thousand one hundred seventy nine five annas two pyce, which having been paid into Cash at severall payments,

ORDER'D that it pass Errors Excepted and be deliver'd the Accomptant.

1619.—LICENCE TONNAGE AND PASS MONEY FOR 1720.

Monday, May 1st.

Mr. Harry Clare Secretary brought in the Account of Tonnage and Pass Money for the Year 1720 amounting to Rupees five thousand four hundred fifty one.

Account of Tonnage, Passmoney, Ballasore Banksall-house, Licences, and Dock-Money for the Year 1720.

	r. a. p.	r. a. p.
Brigantine *Perry* fifty five rupees, Viz^t		
Tonnage	45	
Banksall House	10	
		55
Ship *Joseph* eighty rupees, Viz^t		
Tonnage	60	
Banksall House	10	
Pass money	10	
		80
Sloop *Margery* thirty rupees, Viz^t		
Tonnage	20	
Pass money	10	
		30
Brig. *Essex* thirty five rupees		
Tonnage	25	
Pass money	10	
		35
Carried over ...		200

	r. a. p.	r. a. p.
Brought over ...		200
Ship *Catharine* ninety rupees		
Tonnage	70	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		90
Brigantine *Samorine* fifty eight rupees		
Tonnage	48	
Banksall House	10	
		58
Ship *Cornelia* one hundred seventy rupees		
Tonnage	150	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		170
Ship *William* three hundred forty five rupees		
Tonnage	335	
Banksall House	10	
		345
Brigantine *Mary Ann* one hundred fourteen rs.		
Tonnage	94	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		114
Ship *Mary* one hundred fifty five rupees		
Tonnage	135	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		155
Ship *Chester* one hundred fifty rupees		
Tonnage	130	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		150
Ship *Daniel* one hundred forty six rupees		
Tonnage	126	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		146
Brigantine *Prosperous* sixty rupees		
Tonnage	40	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		60
Carried over ...		1488

	r. a. p.	r. a. p.
Brought over ...		1488
Ship *Hannover* four hundred forty five rupees		
Tonnage	425	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		445
Ship *Windsor* two hundred ninety four rs.		
Tonnage	284	
Banksall House	10	
		294
Ship *Severne* two hundred thirty rupees		
Tonnage	210	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		230
Ship *King George* three hundred fifty rupees		
Tonnage	340	
Banksall House	10	
		350
Ship *Pembrook* one hundred sixty four rs.		
Tonnage	144	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		164
Ship *Shaw-Allum* four hundred fifty rupees		
Tonnage	426	
Pass money	14	
Banksall House	10	
		450
Ship *Sunderland* two hundred and four rupees		
Tonnage	184	
Pass money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		204
Antonio Phillips Licence commencing 1st July 1720 fifty rupees		50
Elizabeth Bindons Licence commencing 31st December 1720 fifty rupees		50
Robert Lavers Licence commencing 14th September 1720, fifty rupees		50
John Sugar Licence commencing 15th October 1720, fifty rupees		50
Ship *Dolphin* one hundred twenty eight rupees		
Tonnage	108	
Pass Money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		128
Carried over ...		3361

	r. a. p.	r. a. p.
Brought over ...		3953
Brigantine *Triplicane*, eighty four rupees		
Tonnage	64	
Pass Money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		84
Ship *Joseph* one hundred thirty nine rupees		
Tonnage	119	
Pass Money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		139
Brigantine *Boneta* fifty two rupees		
Tonnage	32	
Pass Money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		52
Ship *Harriott* one hundred thirty eight rupees		
Tonnage	118	
Pass Money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		138
Francis Vane's Licence commencing 2d March 1720/1 fifty rupees		50
Ship *Hannover* 4 Springs in the Dock at 170 rupees per Spring is		680
Ship *London* two hundred thirty eight rupees		
Tonnage	218	
Pass Money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		238
Brigantine *Theana* fifty seven rupees		
Tonnage	37	
Pass Money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		57
Brigantine *Phœnix* sixty rupees		
Tonnage	40	
Pass Money	10	
Banksall House	10	
		60
Rupees		5451

FORT WILLIAM,
1st May 1721.

H. CLARE, Secry.

1620.—YEARLY PAYMENT TO THE HUGLI GOVERNMENT.

Monday, May 1st. The Hugly Government demanding the yearly Pisheash [*peshkash*] of three thousand sicca rupees, due the 30th Ult°.

AGREED the President pay them three thousand Madrass Rupees.

1621.—WAGES OF THE DACCA *VAKĪL*.

Monday, May 1st. There being due to Santose Mullick [Santos Mallik] Our Vacqueel [*vakīl*] at Dacca the Sum of six hundred sixty rupees for Wages due from the 1st May 1720 to this day,

AGREED the President pay the same.

1622.—ESTATE OF SAMUEL SCARSBROOK, DECEASED.

Monday, May 1st. Mr. William Spencer brought in Samuel Scarsbrook deceas'd his Account Outcry, and Account Current the Ballance whereof being Rupees two hundred forty seven, four annas, six pyce.

The Estate of Samuel Scarsbrook deceas'd.

Dr.

To Capt. Rickets deceas'd		68	10	3	By the Amot. of his Outcry	273	5
„ Robert Lavers's Note ...		36			Sic. wt.		
„ Commission 5 per cent		18	8	3	„ 35½ Duccatoons pz. 98 4 rs.		
		123	2	6	@ 211½ per 240 Sicª. wt.	97	2
Ballance	...	247	4	6			
Rupees	...	370	7		Rupees ...	370	7

FORT WILLIAM
7th April 1720

Errors Excepted
pr. W. SPENCER Buxey [*bakhshi*]

1623.—CHANGES IN COUNCIL.

Monday, May 1st. The late Alterations in the Councill occasioning a removall of Mr. John Eyre Jamidar [*zamīndār*] to the Places of Buxey [*bakhshi*] and Storekeeper, and Mr. John Stackhouse Storekeeper to the place of Jamidar [*zamīndār*], which was deferr'd till the Ballancing of the Generall Books as the most proper time,

ORDER'D that They now take charge of those Posts accordingly, And that Mr. John Eyre sign a receipt for the Ballance which he receives from the Buxey [*baskhhī*] and Storekeeper.

1624.—THE PATNA NABOB STILL DELAYS HIS DEPARTURE.

Monday, May 8th.

The 6th Inst. receiv'd a Generall Letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson and Samuel Harwood at Patna advising the Nabob has not yet left that place, tho' he has withdrawn his Forces from severall Parts of his Government (some of which the Duan [*dīwān*] has taken charge of) and made preparations as if he intended very shortly to march away, but his so long dolaying it gives suspicion of his design to turn Rebell.

They have got about sixteen thousand Maunds of Salt-petre in the House, but are like to meet with some difficulty in procuring the peice Goods, because the Merchants in hopes of an opportunity of carrying Goods upwards under the Nabobs Protection when He goes to Court, buy all they can lay hands on;

The Tin sent up they have dispos'd of, but fear they shall be oblig'd to accept three rupees four annas for the red Broad Cloth, and three rupees eight annas for the green, at which price they are in hopes the Merchants will take it.

The Broad Cloth remaining upon their hands, they have been obliged to take up money at Interest which they chose to do, rathar than draw Bills, Exchange of late running very high.

1625.—ARREST OF THE COMPANY'S BROKER BY THE NABOB AT CASSIMBAZAR.

Wednesday, May 10th.

The 8th Instant at night receiv'd a letter from Messrs. Edward Crisp &c^{a}. at Cossembuzar dated the 5th May advising of the Nabob having seiz'd Contoo [Kantu] the Broker of that Factory, and carryed him to Muxodovad [Maqṣūdābād] where he is close imprison'd; They further advise they sent a Party to intercept them in the way, but that their People cou'd not come up with them before they got to the Nabobs Camp, So that the Party not being sufficient, return'd without offering to rescue him, but that they design'd the next day to send a letter to the Nabob, and

ORDER'D the Vacqueel [*vakīl*] to give the Kings Duhoy [*duhāī*] in Publick Court, of which they promise to advise Us further.

1626.—CAPTAIN DALLIBAR WITH 50 SOLDIERS ORDERED UP TO CASSIMBAZAR.

May 10th. This being an insult that must be attended with the worst of Consequences shou'd We tamely bear it, We yesterday Order'd Our Vacqueel [*vakīl*] at Hughly to give the King's Duhoy [*duhāī*] and declare that if Our Broker was not speedily releas'd We wou'd seek Our own satisfaction; And in order to put a good face upon the matter.

AGREED We Order Captain Henry Dallibar with an Ensign, four Serjeants and fifty European Soldiers up to Cossembuzar as a Reinforcement, but not to proceed till We receive the further advice expected from thence.

1627.—THE NABOB AT CASSIMBAZAR WANTS A PRESENT.

Saturday, May 13th.[1] Last night came to hand a Generall letter from Mr. Crisp &c[a]. at Cossembuzar dated the 9th Inst. giving an Accot. of the Government's pretentions for seizing and confining Our Broker, by which it appears the sequell of the matter is the Nabob is resolv'd to have a Nuzeranna [*nazrānah*], but this is such a method of Fleecing Us as We can no ways tamely consent to, Wherefore

AGREED according to Order of last Consultation that Captain Henry Dallibar with his Party immediately proceed up to Cossembuzar Factory.

1628.—GOOD EFFECT OF A LETTER TO THE NABOB OF CUTTACK.

Monday, May 15th. The 10th Inst. receiv'd a letter from Mr. Humfreys Cole at Ballasore, advising that a letter he wrote to the Nabob of Cuttack had so good an effect as that the Phousdar [*faujdār*] had not molested him since.

1629.—DAMAGED GOODS SOLD OUT OF THE EXPORT WAREHOUSE.

Monday, May 15th. Mr. Thomas Falconer Export Warehousekeeper brought in an Account of damaged Goods sold out of that Warehouse at Outcry as per Order of Consultation the 17th Ulto. amounting to Rupees one thousand thirty seven, one

[1] The moon was new on May 14.

Anna, which Sum is included in the Ballance of his Packing Stuff Account.

Account of Goods belonging to the Hon. Company sold at Outcry Aprill 19th 1721.

10 ps.	Striped Taffaty	... Mr. Spinckes	...	...	35	
10 ps.	do.	... do.	...	...	40	4
10 ps.	do.	... do.	...	...	41	
10 ps.	do.	... do.	...	...	44	4
10 ps.	do.	... Capt. Wilkie	...	...	44	4
10 ps.	do.	... Mr. Falconer	...	...	45	
10 ps.	do.	... Mr. Braddyll	...	...	46	4
10 ps.	do.	... Mr. Clare	...	...	46	12
10 ps.	do.	... Mr. Spinckes	...	...	48	4
10 ps.	do.	... do.	...	...	46	8
10 ps.	do.	... Mr. Coales	...	...	44	8
10 ps.	do.	... Mr. Clare	...	...	46	4
12 ps.	do. & 1 ps. plain	... Capt. Wilkie	...	...	55	
2 ps.	Dooreas [*doriās*]	Francis Vanes	...	...	12	4
10 ps.	Pattna Chints	... Coja Nazar	...	...	16	12
1 ps.	Baftaes [*bātfas*] 2 ps. Lackowries & 1 ps. Emers.	Capt. Wilkie	...	...	10	
4 ps.	Chucklaes [*chaklās*]	... Mr. Falconer	...	...	14	
6 ps.	Doosutties [*dusūtīs*]	... Mr. Rd. Eyre	...	...	8	
6 ps.	do.	... do.	...	...	9	9
6 ps.	do.	... Mr. Coddington	...	...	8	1
5 ps.	do.	... Mr. Davis	...	...	7	
10 ps.	Nillaes [*nīlās*]	... John Been	...	...	3	14
10 ps.	do.	... Pursootumdass [Purushatam Dās]			3	10
10 ps.	do.	... Bissumber [Bishvambar]	...		3	6
10 ps.	do.	... Coopers Banyan	...	...	3	8
20 ps.	do.	... Abdulgunny [Abdul Ghani]	...		7	8
25 ps.	do.	... Coja Nazar	...	...	10	
406	Blanketts	... Barnarsseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh] an. @ 5 ea.	...	...	126	14
67	do.	... Kelleram Mootea [Kālīram, *mutia*,]			20	15
20 ps.	Wrappers	... Kelleram [Kālīrām]	...		11	8
20 ps.	do.	... Ramram [Rāmrām]	...		12	
20 ps.	do.	... Ramkissen [Rām kishn]	...		12	
20 ps.	do.	... Bissumber [Bishvambar]	...		12	12
20 ps.	do.	... Manuel de Rosario	...		13	4
20 ps.	do.	... Wayd [Wāḥid] ...	...		12	12
20 ps.	do.	... Singamull [Simhamal]	...		12	8
20 ps.	do.	... Jno. de Cruz ...	...		12	12
20 ps.	do.	... Sheikoo [Shaikhu]	...		12	4
		Carried over	...		960	13

			Brought over	...	960	13
20 ps.	Wrappers	...	Saibdee [Sāhibu-d-dīn]	...	11	8
20 ps.	do.	...	Raggoo [Raghū] ...	...	11	8
20 ps.	do. Remnants	...	John Eckman ...	...	4	12
20 ps.	do.	...	Bissumber [Bishvambār]	...	5	4
40	Remnants do.	...	Engtose ...	...	10	8
40	do.	...	Avis Christianson ...	...	10	4
20	do.	...	Montgommery ...	...	5	12
2	Bundles do.	...	do. ...	...	6	14
2	do.	...	Benj. Skinner ...	...	3	1
2	do.	...	Francesco Riberio	...	3	
2	do.	...	Antho. Vanes ...	...	3	13
			Rupees	...	1,037	1

FORT WILLIAM
15th May 1721.

1630.—DAMAGED GOODS SOLD OUT OF THE IMPORT WAREHOUSE

Monday, May 22nd.

The Account of damaged Goods sold out of the Import Warehouse at Outcry as per Order of Consultation of the 17th Ulto. amounting to rupees eight hundred thirty nine, eight Annas was now brought in by Mr. William Spencer Import Warehousekeeper.

Account of Damaged Broad Cloth &ca. sold at Publick Outcry out of the Import Warehouse for Accot. the Hon. United Company.

Broad Cloth Ordinary by retale Viz.

	y.	n.	r.	a.
Green To Francis Vanes	14		27	8
Mr. Greenhill	2	11	6	
Francis Vanes	4	12	10	4
do.	4	6	10	4
Mr. Deane	2		4	1
do.	2	9	4	8
Nurie [Nari]	2	3	5	
Mr. Wyndham	1	2	2	10
Mr. Cross	3	15	8	1
Connerdass [Kanwar Dās] ...	2	2	4	6
do.	2	15	6	6
Pursootumdass [Purushatam Dās]	1	10	2	9
Mr. Pomfrett	2		4	12
Barnarseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh]	3	14	7	12
Carried over ...	50	3	104	1

		y.	n.	r.	a.	r.	a.
	Brought over ...	50	3	104	1		
	Connerdass	1		2	6		
	Capt. Dallibar	5	3	12	8		
	Connerdass [Kanwar Dās] ...	1	8	3	1		
	Capt. Dallibar	7		16	12		
	Omychund [Amichand] ...	3		5	4		
	Mr. Cross	1		2	3		
	Barnarseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh]	7	9	14	8		
	Barnasseseat [Vārānasi Soṭh]	5	12	11			
	do.	4	11	10	4		
	do.	6	8	14	4		
	do.	9	4	21			
	do.	2	15	6	12		
		105	9			223	15
Red	Connerdass [Kanwar Dās] ...	8	6			18	12
		113	15				
Broad Cloth Aurora by Retale Viz.							
	To Barnasseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh]	2	12	7	12		
	Mr. Coales	5	4	18			
	Barnarseseat [Vārānasī Seth]	5		18	4		
	do.	4	8	16	4		
		17	8			60	4
Broad Scarlett	Cloth fine by Retale Viz. To Connerdass	3	8	19	12		
	Barnarseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh]	14	8	78	8		
	Mr. Richard Eyre ...	3		20	4		
	Govinram [Govindarām] ...	3		19			
	Sookdeb [Sukhdeva] ...	4		22	8		
	Govr.	3		18			
	Barnarseseat [Vārānasi Seṭh]	3	8	20	8		
	Mr. Spencer	2	4	13			
	Teakchund [Tekchand] ...	3	13	14	8		
	Omychund [Amichand] ...	3	8	10	12		
		44	1			236	12
Broad Green	Cloth fine by Retale. to Mr. Stackhouse 3·3 ...	3				9	1
	Mr. Oldmixon	3	4	12	8		
	Mr. Coales	3	4	12			
	Mr. Deane	3	4	10	4		
	Mr. Richd. Eyre	3	4	10	8		
	do.	3	4	10	4		
	Carried over ...	16	4	55	8	548	12

			y.	n.	r.	a.	r.	a.
	Brought over	...	16	4	55	8	548	12
	Mr. Spencer ...	...	3	4	11			
	Mr. Coales ...	...	5	4	16	8		
	Mr. Phillips ...	...	3	4	10	4		
	Mr. Stackhouse ...	...	3	6	12			
	Jaddoseat [Yādu Seṭh]	...	3	4	12			
	Mr. Rennolds ...	...	3	4	12	14		
	Mr. Falconer ...	...	3	4	13	8		
	Mr. Hanger ...	...	3	4	10	4		
	Mr. Stackhouse ...	...	5	8	13	8		
	Mr. Hanger ...	...	3	4	10	8		
	Mr. Clare ...	...	3	4	10	4		
	Mr. Oldmixon ...	...	3	8	18			
	Mr. Falconer ...	...	3	4	10	12		
	Mr. Davis ...	...	3	4	10	4		
							226	8
		yds.	66	6				
Blew	Mr. Falconer ...	...	1	4	5			
	Mr. Spencer ...	...	3	7	13	8		
	Mr. Braddyll ...	...	3	8	12	12		
							31	4
			8	3				
Purple	Teakchund [Tekchand]	...	2		5	8		
	Ben. Skinner ...	...	1	12	3	9		
	Mr. Spencer ...	...	1		2			
	Sheries ...	...	1	10	4	7		
		yds.	6	6			15	8
Callimancoes Ordinary in ps.								
	Mr. Cassels not damaged 1 ps.						17	8
	Rupees ...						839	8

Errors Excepted

pr. Wm. Spencer Impt. Warehouse Keeper.

1631.—OLD STORES SOLD AT OUTCRY.

Monday, May 29th.[1]

Mr. John Stackhouse Storekeeper brought in an Account of Sundrys sold at Outcry as per Order of Consultation of the 27th Ulto.

[1] May 28 was Whit Sunday.

Account of Sundry Stores sold at Outcry Account the Hon. Company Viz.

		r.	a.
30 Augers	Capt. Wilkey ...	5	8
4 Axes. 4 Tap bores	Barnarseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh]	3	1
2 Large Files & 6 small ones	Capt. Crossing ...	2	1
3 Wimbles & 2 Saws	George Blank ...	1	7
10 large & 5 small sets. 4 Callipers	Ben Skinner ...	1	1
22 Chizels & Gowges, 32 plain Irons & 54 Stocks	Barnarseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh]	7	2
13 Plaines wth Irons & 41 small Files	Capt. Wilkey ...	3	3
13 d^o^ 2 Axes. 8 Hatchet	Barnarseseat [Vārānasī Seṭh]	3	1
54 Gimblets & 4 Tap bores	Capt. Love ...	1	7
5 Saw Sets. 2 bench hooks, 2 pinchers, Stocks and Springs, 16 Bitts, 2 Jointers, 3 Screw plates, 1 Pincher, 5 Punches	All useless Ben. Skinner ...	1	14
	Rupees ...	29	13

1632.—TWO ACCOUNTS TO BE WRITTEN OFF TO ACCOUNT CURRENT LONDON.

Monday, May 29th.

There being Rupees five hundred seventy two, twelve Annas, standing in the Generall Books to the Creditt of Ramnaut Cawn [Rāmnāth Khān] deceas'd who was maintain'd for severall years by some of the Companys Servants and Merchants, Also Rupees sixty seven, three Annas, six Pyce to the Credit of Captain John Herbert deceas'd and no Demands being made upon either of their Estates.

AGREED that those sums be wrote off to Account Current London.

1633.—MERCHANTS PACIFIED WITH DIFFICULTY.

Monday, May 29th.

There being two hundred seventy six thousand eight hundred nine rupees, eleven Anas, six pyce, due to Our Merchants on Ballance of the past years Acco^t^ and We having no money either to clear off those Ballances or advance them on this years Contracts which amount to Rupees fifteen Lack ten thousand five hundred eighty one, four Annas, as per Consultation of the 17th Aprill, they are very clamorous for either money or Bills at Interest to be given them alledging they cannot perform the new Contract without being forced to borrow all the money they can gett at Interest to send to the Aurung

[*aurangs*]. We have for severall Consultation days put them off telling them We shou'd have an early Ship and that We wou'd pay them on her arrivall, but they now apprehending they may be late, Our Broker with much trouble has perswaded [them] to wait 'till the 4th August from which time We have agreed to allow them Interest in case a Ship doth not arrive with money.

1634.—COWRIES TO BE BOUGHT.

Monday, May 29th. The Ship *Harriot* being arriv'd from the Maldivas with a Cargo of Cowries [*kauṛis*], & the Owners offering to sell them at thirty five Punds [*pan*] per Madrass rupee, pick'd Cowries, and to stay 'till the arrivall of a Europe Ship for payment,

Order'd that the Export Warehousekeeper get them pick'd and counted.

1635.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR JUNE 1721.[1]

Monday, June 5th. The Muster Rolls of both Companys of Soldiers for the month of Aprill muster'd and paid by Mr. Thomas Falconer late Buxey [*bakhshi*] were now laid before Us.

Abstract of Major Richard Hunts Muster Roll for the Month of Aprill 1721.

		rs.			r.
1	Major	at 65	per Mo.		65
1	Lieutenant	35	„		35
1	Ensign	24	„		24
1	Master of Arms	20	„		20
1	Serjeant Major	20	„		20
1	Marshall	20	„		20
9	Serjeants	20	„		180
9	Corporalls	13	„		117
1	Drum Major	20	„		20
5	Drummers		„		59
90	European Soldiers	10	„		900
2	Rounders	6	„		12
24	Portugueeze Soldiers	5	„		120
146				Rupees	1592
1	Serjeant on Command at Cossembuzar				
12	Soldiers	do.			
159					

[1] See those for January, 1586.

Abstract of Captain Henry Dallibars Muster Roll for the Month of April 1721.

		r.		r.
1	Lieutenant	at 35 per Mo.		35
2	Ensigns	24 ,,		48
9	Serjeants	20 ,,		180
8	Corporalls	13 ,,		104
4	Drummers	13 ,,		52
75	Europeans	10 ,,		750
2	Rounders	6 ,,		12
23	Portugueeze	5 ,,		115
124			Rupees	1296

1 Lieutenant on Command at Cossembuzar
13 European soldiers do.

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1636.—EFFECTS OF THOMAS HAWS, DECEASED.

Monday, June 5th.

Mr. Thomas Haws who went Purser on the Ship *Marygold* to Bassera dying in the Voyage and no Will being produc'd,

ORDER'D that Mr. John Eyre Buxey [*bakhshi*] take his Effects and sell them at publick Outcry, And pay the produce into the Hon. Companys Cash.

1637.—EFFECTS OF MICHAEL EMMERSON, DECEASED.

Monday, June 5th.

Mr. John Emmerson at Madrass Brother to the deceas'd Mr. Michaell Emmerson having appointed Messrs. Thomas Falconer & Thomas White his Attorneys for collecting the deceas'd Mr. Emmerson's Effects,

ORDER'D that the Buxey [*bakhshi*] deliver over the Deceased's Effects into their hands.

1638.—EFFECTS OF KHWĀJAH ARRATOON, DECEASED.

Monday, June 5th.

Mr. Thomas Falconer, late Buxey [*bakhshi*] now brought in Coja [*khwājah*] Arratoons Account Outcry & Account Current also the particulars of the dividend. made among his Creditors as per Order of Consultation of the 3rd Aprill.

Dr. *Coja Arratoon.* *Cr.*

To Cash pd. Mr. Spinckes Accot. the master	459	By Cash the nett produce of Ship sold the French	7791 12 9
To Wages due to his Ships Compa. as per Coja Nazurs Accot.	1784 12	A Bill of Exchange drawn on Mr. Williamson for	2500
To Custom pd. the Hughly Govt.	529 10 9	The nett Amount of what goods sold at Outcry as per account Particulars	6214 11
To Charges boat-hire & Cooleys &ca. on his goods	79 13		
	2853 3 9	Rupees	16506 7 9
Cash pd. Coja Sarkiss his half of the produce of Ship & Cargoe made over to him by Bond	6826 10		
Cash pd. Sundry persons, a Div. on 6826 10 as per Act. Particulars	6826 10		
Rupees	16506 7 9		

FORT WILLIAM,
31st May 1721.

1639.—JACOB DES TOMBE DISMISSED THE COMPANY'S SERVICE.[1]

Monday, June 6th.

Mr. Jacob Des Tombe one of the Hon. Companys Covenant Servants having been confined to the Fort some time on account of a Riott committed in the Town by him in company with some Others, the like of which he has severall times been guilty of before, and once deserted the Hon. Companys Service, with an intention to have gone to England privately, for all which he has from time to time been pardoned on his promise of Amendment, but he now sending in a Petition desiring to be dismiss'd the Service rathar than be longer confin'd, We sent for him before Us, and he persisting insolently on it,

AGREED he be turn'd out of the Hon. Companys Service from this day.

Jacob des Tombe's Petition.

To the Hon. SAMUEL FRAKE Esqr
President &cª Councill
Hon. Sir and Sirs

I beg that Your Honour &cª will be pleas'd to dismiss me the Hon. Companys Service, rather than keep me any longer under confinement,

I am
Hon. Sir and Sirs
Your humble Servant
J. DES TOMBE.

FORT WILLIAM,
June the 5th, 1721.

[1] Arrived writer July 3, 1717, in the *St George*. See *English in Bengal*, II, I, 343, and § 1664 below.

1640.—THE NABOB AT CASSIMBAZAR HAS NOT YET RECEIVED THE GOVERNOR'S LETTER.

Monday, June 5th.

The 29th Ult°. receiv'd a Generall Letter from Mr. Edward Crisp &c^a at Cossembuzar dated the 26th advising of the receipt of Our letter of the 17th inclosing Govr. Feakes letter to the Nabob, which they had been ever since endeavouring to get deliver'd. The Arrujee [*'arzi*] they wrote the Nabob the day after Contoo [Kantū] was seiz'd they cou'd not get deliver'd 'till the 25th Assur Cawn [Asad Khān] brother to Mahmud John [Muḥammad Jān] being in favour with the Nabob they had made Interest with him to get the Governours letter and the *Arrujee* [*'arzi*] deliver'd, who sent them by his Deputy, but the Nabob angrily refused them, tho' he has since receiv'd the *Arrujee* [*'arzi*] from Assur Cawn [Asad Khān] and Order'd the letter to be brought when he was at leisure. On perusing the Arrujee [*'arzi*] he sent for Futtichund Seat [Fatḥchand Seṭh] and Order'd him to enquire into the Story of the Broker's Wife hanging herself, who accordingly sent for Contoo [Kantū] to the Cossnoviss Catcherry [*khās-navīs kachahrī*], and as he had before promiss'd disputed in his favour. Assur Cawn [Asad Khān] had promis'd to deliver Govr. Feakes letter the next day, at which time if Contoo [Kantū] was not clear'd they intended to pitch their Tents opposite to the Nabob in order to get admittance and have the Broker set at liberty.

1641.—THE NABOB RELEASES THE BROKER IN A HANDSOME MANNER.

Monday, June 5th.

The 3rd Inst. receiv'd another letter from Mr. Crisp &c^a at Cossembuzar dated the 30th Ult° advising of the releasment of the Broker in a handsome manner, the Nabob giving him a Seerpaw [*sar-o-pā*] of a Coat, Sash & Turban, which by every body is esteem'd as a very great favour, and they hope has put an end to severall complaints that they have for some time past been troubled with the Nabob himself enquiring into severall articles alledg'd against Contoo [Kantū], and particularly the report of his Wifes hanging her Self which not being prov'd he was acquitted in a very creditable manner, the Nabob bidding him tell his Masters, that tho' he was a Servant to the English yet he was a Subject and Tennant of the Kings, and as there were such reports he cou'd not avoid examining into the truth of them, which he had thus long deferr'd, being very busie in dispatching the King's Treasure, and that now he might go to the Factory, and tell them to go on with their business as usuall.

1642.—CHARGES GENERALL FOR APRIL 1721.

Monday, June 12th.[1]

The Charges Generall for the month of Aprill having lain from the 5th Inst. for perusall amounting to nineteen thousand two hundred fifty four Rupees three annas[2] Viz.—

			r.	a.	p.
Charges Generall	...	...	2221	13	
Do. Dyett	...	...	1208	11	9
Do. Reperations	...	...	241	15	6
Pylotts wages & Seamen in Moly pay		...	1987		
Charges Cattle	...	...	243	9	6
Millitary Viz.					
Officers & Soldiers in pay	...	2888			
Gunners and Gunroom crew	...	522 5 3			
Reperations & petty Charges		107 13 6			
			3518	2	9
Charges Budgrows	...	...	176	11	9
Cossembuzar Sloop	...	...	497	6	3
London Sloop	...	...	908	2	3
Charles Sloop	...	...	298	5	6
George Sloop	...	...	459	15	9
George Brigantine	...	...	460	15	
Petty Stores	...	...	89	11	
Servants Wages in monthly Pay		...	898	6	
Charges Oxen	...	...	93	13	9
Do. Hogs	...	...	60	0	9
Do. Merchandize	...	...	2495	7	6
Do. Durbar [*darbār*]		...	55	8	
Factors Provisions	...	...	136	4	
Ballasore Factory	...	...	43	12	
Timbers and Plank	...	...	1497	6	3
Charges new Tent	...	...	1161	0	9
	Rupees[2]	...	19254	3	

1643.—THE NABOB GIVES AUDIENCE TO THE FRENCH.

Monday, June 19th.

Yesterday receiv'd a Generall Letter from Cossimbuzar dated the 14th They advise that the Nabob (altho' he had put off the French for some time, who had petition'd for leave to vizit him) had appointed a day for them to come, which therefore they cou'd not handsomely avoid, And accordingly went on the 13th Inst and were conducted to the Nabobs private Apartment (he being indispos'd) where they had only time to desire his Favour for the carrying on of their Affairs, and Access for their

[1] The moon was new on June 13.

[2] If the figures are correct the total should be Rs. 18754-3.

Broker and Vacqueel [*vakīl*] which he promis'd them, and added when they had any urgent Business they shou'd come themselves; So giving them Seerpaws [*sar-o-pā*] and Beetle he dismiss'd them.

1644.—ABOUT GRANTING THE BETTER RATE OF EXCHANGE TO BOMBAY.

Monday, June 26th.

Yesterday arriv'd before this Place the Ship *Fancey* Captain James Mackrae from Bombay and last from Madrass; By her We receiv'd two Generall Letters from Bombay, which came to hand the 24th at Night, one dated 15th Aprill 1721 the other dated the 2d May, advising they have consigned the Ship *Fancy* to Us on the Hon. Companys Account and have laden on board her twelve hundred Bales of Pepper, Invoice and Bill of Lading for which came inclos'd, also a List of what they desire in return.

In their Letter of the 15th Aprill they request Govr. Boone's Attorneys may be permitted to pay money into the Hon. Comps Cash here, and have Bills given accordingly at two Shillings and nine pence per rupee; They have enclos'd Copy of a Paragraph of the Hon. Company's Generall Letter to them dated 27th February 1718 wherein they are allow'd the Liberty for that year.

AGREED We deferr granting their Request, 'till the Arrivall of the Europe Ships, when we may expect Orders concerning it.

1645.—THE PATNA NABOB IS READY TO DEPART.

Monday, June 26th.

The 25th Inst receiv'd a Generall Letter from Pattna dated the 10th—They advise they have certain news of Nuzerutt Jaar Cawn's [Nuṣrat Yār Khān] Naib being arriv'd Benerass [Banāras], and that they expect him there in eight or ten days, the Bengall Treasure being delivered to their Nabobs People, and arriv'd as farr as Boglepoore [Bhāgalpur], And the Nabob himself makeing ready to depart in two or three days. Esgur Cawn [Aṣghar Khān] Duan [*diwān*] is likewise turn'd out, And one Abdull ['Abdul] Futtua who is arriv'd very near is appointed to succeed him, So that there will be a thorough revolution, which they hope will better the Government of that Province, And that affairs will be managed with less Charge and difficulty.

1646.—SALE OF GOODS AT PATNA.

June 26th.

The reason the Broad Cloth &ca. sticks a hand is the Nabob's Stay, and without a Convoy the Merchants are afraid to venture Goods on the roads these

troublesome times, Some of the Ordinary Broad Cloth and Aurora they have put off and will dispose of the Rest as soon as they are offer'd at tollerable price.

The objections the Merchants make against the Tinn are, they say as it is a new Sort they dare not so readily venture upon it, least the Merchants at the Aurungs [*aurangs*] to whom they sell it, shou'd scruple to take it, or make a difference in the price; And that it is harder than the other, and requires more labour in working it.

They advise that the Chuckwars [Chakwārs] are very Strong, and that they believe it will be proper rather to augment the Party of Soldiers, design'd up this Season, then diminish it;

Inclos'd they have sent Us a List of what quantity of Goods they judge may sell, and what proper for Presents, which they desire may be sent;

A List of Goods fitt for Pattna Viz^{t}.

For Sale

Broad Cloth Ordinary 800 p^{s}. Viz.		Ps.	
Green	700	800	Peices
Red	100		
Broad Cloth Aurora		140	d^{o}.
Broad Cloth Fine		60	d^{o}.
Broad Cloth Imbost 4 Bales ...		24	d^{o}.

Velvets Red and Green of each about 10 yards

Rarities

Telliscopes	6
Spying Glass small	12
Multiplying & Magnifying Glasses	36
Spectacles some green	48
Triangle Glasses	12

Cutlary Ware Penknives and Scizars 24 of each if any curious.

Sword Blades	12 Ps.
Looking Glasses about 30 Inches	4 d^{o}.
Small of 9 to 10 Inches	24 d^{o}.

Fire Arms

Gunns	6 d^{o}.
Horse Pistolls	6 Pair
Pockett D^{o}.	6 d^{o}.

and what else may be thought fitt for Presents

Stationary Ware having none left

A Box of Physick with Instructions.

1647.—GOODS FOR BOMBAY.

Monday, June 26th. *List of Goods and Stores from Bengall for Bombay.*

Sugar Cuttrong	1500	Bags
Chittigong Sannoes [*sanahs*]	150	Corye
Gurrahs [*gāṛhās*]	150	do.
Refined Salt Petre for Gun-powder ...	200	Maunds
Wax	100	do.
Wood Oyl	200	do.
Gue [? glue]	400	do.
Dammer	400	do.
Gunnies [*goṇis*] 4000		
Twine fine	100	do.
Ditto gross	100	do.

1648.—ENSIGN'S COMMISSION GIVEN TO EVERT GLANDORP.

Monday, June 26th. Evert[1] Glandorp Serjeant Major having serv'd the Company many years, and behav'd himself very well upon all occasions, and being a sober diligent Officer,

AGREED We give him an Ensigns Commission (there being a Vacancey) to encourage him and others to follow his Example.

1649.—ZAMÍNDÁRI ACCOUNT FOR APRIL 1721.[2]

Monday, June 26th. Mr. John Eyre late Jamidar [*zamīndār*] now brought in the Account Revenues for the month of Aprill the gross Amount being three thousand eight hundred eighty seven rupees, nine Annas, three Pyce.

1650.—WILL OF JOHN GULIELMUS.[3]

Monday, June 26th. Mr. Samuel Greenhill now brought in the Last Will and Testament of Ensign John Gulielmus deceas'd the Wittnesses to which being sworn,

ORDER'D that it be enter'd after this Consultation.

Copy of John Gulielmus's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I John Gulielmus Ensign in the Hon. United English East India Company's Service at Fort William in the Kingdom of

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[1] The name should probably be Ewart or Ewert. See his will, proved, March 21, 1723.

[2] The details are of the usual kind. 'Sealing of Weights and Measures' brings in Rs. 33. The charges deducted are Rs. 346-15-3, leaving a balance of Rs. 3,540-10.

[3] Appointed Ensign July 7, 1718, § 1160.

Bengall (born in the year 1683 in Schut Street in the Parrish of St. Andrews at Antwerp, being the son of Oliver and Mary Gulielmus,) . . . . give devise and bequeath as follows Viz^t.

I give and bequeath to Magdelena (formerly my Slave) the Sum of two hundred rupees Curr^t. of Bengall; And likewise to the Child of which She is now big with I bequeath the Sum of one thousand rupees Current which I desire may be deposited in the Hon. Companys Cash at Fort William, untill the day it shall be twenty one years old, or till the time of marriage, the Interest of which Sum is to be paid yearly for its maintenance; But if it pleases God this Child should dye before it becomes possess'd of this Legacy, then I order that Sum shall be given to my Sisters hereafter mention'd.

The remainder part of my Estate I give to my dear Sisters Catharine Gulielmus, Annabella Gulielmus, Anna Gulielmus, and Dorothy Gulielmus (who at my departure from Europe dwelt in the aforesaid St. Andrew's Parish at Antwerp) equally to be divided amongst them, And in case either of them shou'd be dead, than [then] her dividend shou'd be divided amongst her Children.

I do hereby desire and appoint Samuel Greenhill Executor to this my last Will and Testament, giving him full power to receive and pay all Debts whatsoever by me made, and that he would remitt my Estate in the Hon. Companys Cash to his Friends in England, who are to receive it, and from thence transmitt it to the Pastor of St. Andrew's Parrish at Antwerp for the use of my Sisters abovenamed.

. . . . at Fort William in the Kingdom of Bengall, this eight day of June, one thousand seven hundred and twenty one.

Sign'd Seal'd & declared (where no stampt paper is to be had) in the presence of us.

JNO. GULIELMUS Seal.

THOS. J. MOORE
JOHN STUET

1651.—WILL OF JOHN BROWNE.

Monday, June 26th.

The last Will and Testament of John Brown deceas'd was now brought in with a Codicill thereto, wrote in Portuguese by Mr. William Spinckes, the Will and Codicill being prov'd

ORDER'D that the Will and Codicill with a Translate of the Codicill in English, be enter'd after this Consultation.[1]

[1] The will is attested in the usual fashion by Phillips and Cassels, and the codicil by all the four witnesses to it.

Copy of John Brown's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I John Brown of Calcutta Merchant . . . make my last Will and Testament in manner and form following. . . . .

Item. I will and bequeath to my God Daughter Mary Deane the Sum of eight hundred current rupees.

Item. I will and bequeath to my God Sone Henery Collier the sum of two hundred current rupees.

Item. I will and bequeath to my good Friend Captain Dallibar the Summe of eight hundred curr^{t}. rupees.

Item. I will and bequeath to my good Friends William Spincks and Thomas Braddyll the Summe of two hundred current rupees each and do apoint them Trustees to this my last Will and Testament.

Item. I will and bequeath to my good Friend Capt. Marmaduck Crompton a gold Ringe, and one hundred current Rupees for morning.

Item. I will and bequeath to my dear Wife Mary Browne the House I live in, with all its Furniture and Joyes: And a third part of my estate:

Item. I will and bequeath to my deare Brothers James Brown: Adam Brown: Allexander Brown two thirds of my Estate; to be equaley divided amongst them: And desire it may be remitted in two Seasons at Respondentia: to my good Friend Sir Alexander Cairnes living one Colled g hill in London to be sent to Thomas Dureson Esqr. living in Armagh in Ireland: And what remains in the Countrey the last yeare: Leue it to ye prudence of my Trusteys to imploy it as they shall think fitt^{t}; till sent home And a Copie of my Will to be sent home to my Brothers living neare to Zundergey in Ireland ye Countey of Armagh . . . . in Culcutta in the Kingdom of Bengall this fourth day of February one thousand seven hundred and nineteen twenty.

Sign'd sealed and delivered in the presence of us where no stampt paper to be procured.

H. Cole.
Thos. Phillips
John Cassells

Jno. Brown.

Seal.

Translate of the Codicill to John Brown's Will.

Memorandums of John Brown made in Brigantine *Allexander* in the presence of the Persons on board said Brigantine, Imprimis I pray to God to grant Us a safe passage to Bengall.

Item I will that said Brigantine *Allexander* with whatever She has on board belonging to me, be deliver'd to M^{r}. Spinckes and M^{r}. Braddyll my Trustees.

Item I will that the two Slaves John and Nicholo be kept in Prison till an opportunity offers to send them to S^{t}. Heilena to be sold there for the price that's offer'd.

Item I say that there is another Slave on board, which I would have deliver'd to his Master Martin Mendez taking his receipt at the time of delivery.

Item There is a Slave in Mrs. Brownes possession named Gabriel, who I wou'd have taken from her, and deliver'd to my Wife, the receipt of this Slave is in my little pockett book, I also say that this Slave Gabriel shall not be sold to any body but is to severe my Wife during her Life, and I likewise give her all the other Slaves of the house to dispose of at her pleasure.

Item there is a Slave named Leonarda married to Poisano, to whom I give his liberty to go where he pleases.

Item there is a Slave named Joseph in Junceeilone,[1] under the Care of Bernado Soares, which Slave I wou'd have sold for what Price offers, I have likewise a House in Junckceilone which I wou'd have sold.

Item I say that there is in my possession two hundred fifty eight small Slabs of Tinn mark'd △ belonging to Capt. Simpson which you with the Cooper may sell, and put the money at Interest on Account the said Simpson, deducting six p^r Cent. freight.

Item I desire that two Coppings of Tin may be deliver'd Franciso de Araujo.

Item I desire that the produce of what private Adventures I have with me may be paid according to the Account in my Books without deducting any thing for Charges.

Item I say there are some things belonging to Capt. Hurst, which wou'd have deliver'd to him.

Item I leave my Old Servant John Mathews my red Chest that is on board, with all my Cloths and Bed, and also a Sword, a pair of Pistolls and a Gun to be Chosen by himself.

Item I give to M^r. We Merchant in Madrass the same Sum that I give to M^r. Spinckes and M^r. Braddyll by my Will in Bengall.

Item I will that these Legaceys which I bequeath shall not be paid till the expiration of one year after my death, and if in that year any of those Persons dye, their Legaceys shall return to my Heirs.

Item I bequeath to Francisco De Aranjo Pylott two pair of gold Sleeve buttons, with my silver hilted Sword and belt.

Item I say there are six patch of fine Dimytie and some Sannoes [*sanahs*] made into Shirts with other Cloaths in my Wifes care which I wou'd have sold, as also my large Escrutore, and what other things do not belong to my Wife, leaving her the whole furniture of her house.

Item I desire that my Pylott will write this in the Portugueeze Language, having no body on board that can write it in English and being my self incapable of takeing a Pen in hand, Sign'd in the presence of what Persons are on board and wittnessed on board the Brigantine *Alexander* this 28th May 1721.

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[1] Salang or Junkseylon, an island off the north-west coast of the Malay Peninsula. The English had a trading station at 'Junkceylon' in the middle f the 17th century.

I have made two of these Memorandums of the same date, Ten Degrees thirty three Minutes Latitude.

WILLIAM JAMES
THEODOSIA FERNANDEZ
FRANCISCO DE SOLDANHIA
MANUEL GONSALVEZ

JOHN BROWN

Seal.

1652.—AN ENSIGN'S COMMISSION GIVEN TO JOHN WYNDHAM.

Thursday, June 29th.

Mr. John Wyndham Master of Arms having Acted as Ensign for some time without receiving pay, & by his good behaviour shows himself worthy of Encouragement,

AGREED We give him an Ensign's Commission, there being a Vacancey by the death of Ensign John Gulielmus.

1653.—RESIGNATION OF THE PATNA BROKER.

Monday, July 3rd.

The 1st Inst. receiv'd a Generall Letter from Pattna dated the 19th Ult. They advise that they have drawn Two Bills of Exchange on us for five thousand Siccaes each, Peraun [Prān] their Broker there, being apprehensive of some trouble from the Government by means of one Nundguall [Nand *gowālah*], who is always endeavouring to do him what mischief he can, by complaining from one Durbar [*darbār*] to another, He has paid a large Sum to Cawn Gumma Cawn [Khān Zamān Khān], and is afraid his Successor will demand the like, So that he is afraid of being seiz'd, and dare not stirr out of the Factory; He therefore requests he may leave the Place, And they desire that another Person may be sent in his Stead, Or that they may choose one there.

1654.—EFFECTS OF EDWARD BEACHAM, DESERTER.

Edward Beacham's Account Current.

Monday, July 17th.

Mr. Thomas Falconer now brought in Edward Beacham his Account Current, whose Effects were seiz'd, he having deserted the Hon. Companys river service, the Ballance whereof rupees twenty five, fourteen Annas, nine pyce is paid into Cash.

Edward Beacham.

Dr.				Cr.		
To Mr. Spencers Outcry Note	25	6		By a looking Glass ...	7	12
„ Commission 5 Pr. Ct. r. a. on 53 15 ...	2	11	3	„ a pr. Buckles & Cane ...	3	8
				„ a hat	4	2
				„ a bob wig	10	4
				„ a parcell Old Cloaths ...	22	1
„ Cash pd. into the Hon. Comps. Cash ...	25	14	9	„ an empty Chest ...	2	1
				„ an empty Case &cª ...	3	8
Rupees	53	15		Rupees ...	53	15

1655.—SURVEY OF THE *FANCY*.

Monday, July 17th.

Captain John Jones and Henry Cockram having survey'd Ship *Fancy* according to order of Consultation the 3rd Inst. now deliver'd in their report of what repairs are necessary to be given her.

To the Hon. SAMUEL FEAKE Esqr &cª Councill

Hon. Sir and Sirs

According to your Orders we have survey'd the Hon. Companys Ship *Fancy* Capt. James Macrae Commander and find her Sheathing is very much worm eaten, and all her Oakam rotten in the Seams of her main Plank; Severall of her Beams broke which has been in some measure secured, but it will be needfull to add some other Timber and Iron work to strengthen them.

We find also severall of her Futtock Timbers and two of the Riders broke, Some part of her false keell and a piece of the back of the rudder beat off, which we suppose was done when She struck the Ground.

We are of opinion it will be proper to strip the Sheathing off; Nail and Caulk her bottom, and new sheath her; Also She must have six pair of Standerds five or six breast hooks or Croutches; Her false keell & rudder mended; and new House peice.

When She has had this repair we judge She will be in a fitt condition to proceed on her Voyage with the Hon. Comps Goods. Dated Fort William July the 17th 1721

We are Hon. Sr & Srs
Your most hum: Servants
JOHN JONES
HENRY COCKRAM.

1656.—MONEY DUE FROM CATHARINE GYFFORD TO PHILLIP MICHELL.

Thursday, July 20th.

There appearing due to Mr. Phillip Michell &cª Owners of the Ship *Elizabeth* the Sum of two thousand four hundred twenty eight Surratt rupees from the

Estate of Mr. William Gyfford deceas'd late Cheif of Anjango, as per an Account received from John Baldwin cheif Mate, and afterwards Master of Ship *Elizabeth*, and two Letters from Mr. Gyfford at Anjango one dated 18th March 1721 the other 31st March 1721 being for Goods sold Mr. Gyfford at Anjango; And Mr. Michell for himself &c^{a} Owners making a demand upon Mrs. Catharine Gyfford reliot of said William Gyfford deceas'd who is now in this Place.

Order'd that She pay that Sum to Mr. Michell, he giving a receipt.

1657.—DEATH OF THOMAS WHITE.[1]

July 21st. Mr. Thomas White Junior Merchant in the Hon. Companys Service dyed the 21st Inst.

1658.—WILL OF THOMAS WHITE.

Monday, July 31st. The last Will and Testament of Mr. Thomas White deceased was now brought in by Mr. Thomas Falconer, the Wittnesses to which appearing, And the Will being prov'd,

Order'd that it be enter'd after this Consultation.[2]

Copy of Mr. Thomas White's Will.

In the name of God Amen, I Thomas White in the Service of the Hon. the United Company . . . .

Item, To my much esteemed Friend Mr. Thomas Falconer I give and bequeath two thousand rupees current of Callcutta and I do appoint the said Mr. Thomas Falconer, Trustee of my Effects in India.

Item, To my Friend Mr. Thomas Bellasyse I give and bequeath five hundred Rupees current of Calcutta.

Item, To Mr. Richard Harvey, I give and bequeath three hundred rupees current of Calcutta.

Item, To Mr. Robert Broadfoot, I give and bequeath two hundred Rupees current of Calcutta.

Item, My Will and request is, that after the payment of all my lawfull Debts, Funurall Charges, and the above mention'd Legacies, the Remainder of my Estate may be remitted to England by Bill of Exchange on the Court of Directors for Affairs of the Honble the United English East India Company, payable to my beloved Sister and Brother Ann Mary and Samuel White, to whom I give and bequeath the said remainder of my Estate Viz^{t}. to Each one half, and I do appoint them the Executrix & Executor of this my only Will

[1] Arrived writer October 20, 1714. See *English in Bengal*, II, i, 205.

[2] The will is attested in the usual form by both witnesses.

and Testament, In wittness whereof I hereunto affix my Hand and Seal in Fort William in Bengall this first day of Aprill, Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and twenty one.

Signed Sealed & Declared by the Testator to be his only Will & Testament (where no stamp'd Paper is procurable) in the presence of Us. THO. WHITE Seal.

THO. COALES
NATH. HALL

1659.—WILL OF HENRY TRAENER.

Monday, July 31st. The last Will and Testament of Henry Traener deceas'd was this day brought in and prov'd.

Copy of Henry Traener's Will.

In the Name of God Amen, I Henry Traener, Inhabitant of Callcutta being Sick and Week but of perfect sound Mind and Memory doe make this my last Will and Testament in Manner and Form following. . . . .

Item I give and bequeath unto my very good Friend Josiah Towsand my Silver Tankard.

Item I will that all my just Debts and funurall Charges be first discharg'd and paid.

Item I give and bequeath to my very good Friend Daniell Willkinson Inhabitant of Bengall all whatsoever I may dye possessed of in India the whom I appoint and make my whole and sole Executor . . . . in Callcutta this fifth day of July Anno Domini One thousand seven hundred and twenty one.

Signed, Sealed & Deliver'd (where no stampt paper is to be had) in the presence of Us HENRY TRAENER Seal.

JNO. HOLME
RALPH TIPLADY
LEWIS JOURDAIN

1660.—WILL OF HENRY COCKRAM.[1]

Monday, July 31st. The last Will and Testament of Henry Cockram deceased was now brought in by Mr. John Eyre Buxey [*bakhshi*], the Wittnesses to which did not appear the Will being made in Bencoolen.

[1] Cockram had been master carpenter under the master of attendance since August, 1720, or perhaps earlier. See § 1478. Another copy of this will is found among the *Miscellaneous Letters Received*, 1723, at the India Office. The report upon it from the Committee of Accou[n]t dated the 28th November, 1723, is noted in the 2nd vol. of *References to the Committee of Correspondence* at the India Office.

Copy of Henry Cockram's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I Henry Cockrum of Marlborough on the West Coast of Sumatra Shipwright, ... ordain this my last Will and Testament . . . . First and Principally I commend my Soul into the hands of the Almighty; and my Body to the Earth, there to be decently buried according to the directions of Mr. Walsh Merchant and Mr. James Rawlins Joyner both of Marlborough aforesaid, whom I appoint to be Executors of this my last Will and Testament . . . .

First I will that all my Debts and funerall Charges shall be paid and discharg'd.

Item I give and bequeath to my loving Sister Ann Beach fifteen pounds.

Item I give and bequeath to my loving Sister Jane Blunt seven pounds ten shillings.

All the rest and residue of my Personall Estate Goods and Chattells whatsoever I give and bequeath to my loving Sister Elizabeth Harbidine . . . . this fifteenth day of March one thousand seven hundred and sixteen.

Signed Seal'd and deliver'd (at Marlborough on the West Coast of Sumatra where no stamp'd paper is to be had) in the presence of

JAS. RAWLINS.
JOHN CLARKE.
HENRY LAMBTON.

HENRY COCKROM. Seal.

A true Copy of the Originall,
H. CLARE, *Secy.*

1661.—CHARGES GENERAL FOR JUNE, 1721.

Tuesday, August 8th.

Charges Generall acct. for the Month June having lain from the 31st Ulto. for perusall, and been carefully examin'd, the Amount being rupees nine thousand one hundred twenty nine, six Annas, six Pyce, Vizt

			rs.	a.	p.
Charges Generall	... ...		890	8	
do. Dyett	... ...		1,199	11	6
do. Reperation	... ...		341	8	
do. Pylotts Wages &a.	in monthly Pay ...		472		
do. Cattle	... ...		189	7	9
Officers & Soldjers pay	... ...	2,836			
Gunner & Gunroom Crew	... ...	522 5 3			
Reperation & Petty Charges	... ...	116 8			
			3,474	13	3
	Carried over' ...		6,568	0	6

				rs.	a.	p.
Brought over			...	6,568	0	0
Charges Budgrows	....	...	...	89	15	6
Charles Sloop	...	...	...	149	2	3
George Brigantine	...	...	...	1,024	14	6
Petty Charges	...	...	...	116	13	
Servants Wages in Monthly pay		...	...	893	12	
Charges Oxen	...	...	...	47	12	6
do. Hogs	...	...	...	33	1	6
do. Merchandize	...	...	...	150	6	9
do. Durbarr [*darbār*]	...	...	...	55	8	
		Rupees	...	9,129	6	6

ORDER'D that it pass Errors Excepted and be deliver'd the Accomptant.

1662.—PURCHASE OF KAURIS.

Tuesday, August 8th.

There being a parcell of Cowries offerr'd to Sale at thirty five pund of pick'd Cowries p^r^ Madrass Rupee, and the Proprietor being willing to wait for payment till the arrivall of an Europe Ship,

ORDER'D that the Export Warehousekeeper get them pick'd and Counted.

1663.—READINESS OF THE *FANCEY*.

Tuesday, August 8th.

The Hon. Companys Ship *Fancey* having had the necessary repair given her and being ready to take in her Cargo for Bombay,

ORDER'D that the Export-Warehousekeeper do forthwith load he in Order to her speedy dispatch, and to put an end to the Expence She lies at while here.

1664.—LEAVE TO GO TO MADRAS FOR A CHANGE.

Tuesday, August 8th.

Mr John Harris[1] having for some time past been in an ill State of health, and finding his indisposition still to encrease, has petition'd for leave to go to Madrass in hopes the Change of air may contribute to his recovery.

Copy of John Harris's Petition.

To the HON. SAMUEL FEAKE Esqr, President & Govr of Fort William &c^a^ Councill in Bengall.

The humble Petition of John Harris Sheweth

That your Petitioner, having for the Space of eight or nine months, been very much disorder'd in body, and his indisposition still encreasing, humbly

[1] Arrived writer July 3, 1717, on the *St. George*. See salary bill for Michaelmas, 1722, on October 1, 17[22], in § 1916 below, and *English in Bengal*, II, 1, 343.

hopes, that for the recovery of his Health Your Hon and the rest of the Gentlemen of the Council, will permitt him to go to Madrass, from whence he will return as soon as restored to his former State of health, and Your Petitioner as in Duty bound

Shall ever Pray &c^{a}

FORT WILLIAM,

8th August, 1721.

AGREED that he be permitted to take his Passage on the *George* Brigantine.

1665.—BALANCE OF LAST YEAR'S ACCOUNTS.

Tuesday, August 8th.

We as yet having no News of any Ship from England, Our Merchants are very clamarous for the Dadney [*dadnī*] to be advanc'd them on the Goods contracted for this Year, and insist upon Our giving them Bills of Debt for that, and the Ballance of their last years Account.

AGREED We give them Bills at Interest for the Ballance of their last years Account to commence from the 4th Inst. as agreed with them in Consultation of the 29th May last, And that a List of said Bills be enter'd after this Consultation.

As we hourly expect the Arrivall of our Hon. Masters Ships with Money,

ORDER'D that the Broker endeavour to pacify them for a few days for the present Dadney [*dadnī*], Since it cannot be long before We must have a Ship from England.

A List of the Merchants to Whom Bills at Interest were given Viz^{t}.

Bissnodasseat [Vishṇudās Seṭh]	...	...	47158 12 9
Jackernautseat [Jagannāth Seṭh]	...	...	38580 13 3
Kissoreseat [Kisori Seṭh]	...	...	16690 4 6
Kissenchurncawn [Kishṇcharan Khān]	...	...	13098 11 9
Pursootumcawn [Purushatma Khān]	...	...	10599 10
Rambudder Chowdree [Rāmbadr Chaudhuri]		...	12266 6 3
Govinramcawne [Govindarām Khān]	...	...	11812 1 9
Ramkissendutt [Rāmkishṇ Datta]	...	...	14546 7 6
Chainsookmendrew [Chain Sukh]	...	...	11169 5 9
Collichurnseat [Kālicharan Seṭh]	...	...	12110 6
Conjeebeharryseat [Kunjavihāri Seṭh]	...	...	3929 11
Permanundbysauk [Parmanand Basāk]	...	...	14568 2
Peraunseat [Prān Seṭh]	...	...	10450 6 9
Raddabullubseat [Rādhavallabh Seṭh]	...	...	826 14
Carried over		...	217807 11 9

Brought over	...	217807 11	9
Nainsookmera [Nainśukh]	...	2230 10	
Pursootumdass [Purushatma Dās]	...	1563 12	3
Gungaramdass [Gangarām Dās]	...	4742 10	6
Nundoopursaud [Nanda prasād]	...	8409 11	3
Mutteramera [Mathura mairā]	...	2009 11	3
Raddakissnabella [Rādhakishn Bela]	...	6425 11	
Sabramendrew [Subrahmanendra]	...	6455 6	3
Tezray [Tej Rāi]	...	896 15	6
Mullick Chund [Mallik Chand]	...	2587 7	
Buxe Chund Chuprah [Bakhshichand Chhapra]	...	688 10	9
Cojah Nazur [Khwājah Nazīr]	...	897 3	9
Bullrambysauk [Balrām Basāk]	...	970 12	6
Gunga Churnbysauk [Gangacharan Basāk]	...	2721 12	9
Nittanundutt [Nityananda Datta]	...	720 15	3
Ramnautdass [Rāmnāth Dās]	...	4402 12	6
Govinseat [Govind Seṭh] ...	...	2667 12	6
Rammisser Tealy [Rameshwar Telī]	...	2869 12	3
Rajabullubtealy [Rajavallabh Telī]	...	3153 7	6
Ramnarandutt [Rāmnarāyān Datta]	...	1286 8	3
Conjeebeharrydass [Kunjavihāri Dās]	...	859 9	9
Omichund [Amichand] ...	...	2441 11	
Rupees	...	276809 11	6
[The total should be Rupees	...	276810 11	6]

1666.—ZAMĪNDĀRI ACCOUNT FOR JULY, 1721.[1]

Monday, August 14th.

The Account Revenues for the Month of July was now brought in by Mr. John Stackhouse Jamidar [*zamīndār*] the Gross Amount being rupees three thousand one hundred sixty six, two Annas, nine Pyce.

1667.—ARRIVAL OF THE NEW NABOB AT PATNA.

Monday, August 21st.

The 15th Inst. receiv'd a letter from Mr. Stephenson &c[a] at Pattna dated the 20th Ult[o] advising that Cawnzuma Cawn [Khān Zamān Khān] is march'd towards Court, And Abdull Rohime Cawn ['Abdu-r-rahīm Khān] Nazarut Jaar Cawn's [Nuṣrat Yār Khān's] Naib is arriv'd, who seems to be a just good Man, And they are in hopes to manage their Affairs under him with less Charge and difficulty.

1668.—LETTER FROM THE NABOB OF CUTTACK.

Monday, August 21st.

The 14th Inst. receiv'd a Generall letter from Mr. Humfreys Cole at Ballasore dated the 8th inclosing the Nabob of Cuttack's answer to the Governours Letter sent him.

[1] The details are of the usual kind ; charges deducted, Rs. 345-8 ; balance, Rs. 2820-10-9.

He advises that the Moldiva Ships are arriv'd at Ballasore, And he beleives the merchants will take the first ready money for their Cowries [*kaurīs*].

1669.—WILL OF SAMUEL KITE.

Monday, August 21st. The last Will and Testament of Samuel Kite deceased was now brought in and prov'd.

Copy of Samuel Kite's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I Samuel Kite Inhabitant in Callcutta in the Kingdom of Bengall . . . . will as followeth Viz.

Imprimis I will and require that all my just Debts, Funurall Charges, and Legacys herein after named be first and truly paid.

Item I will and bequeath unto Rosey De Cruize my House Keeper seventy Madrass rupees, one Silver Spoon, and a Slave boy named Tivertoon as a Legacy.

Item I will and bequeath unto James Russell one gold ring value ten rupees as a Legacy.

Lastly I will and bequeath unto my beloved Friend Gabriel Reed every thing else belonging to me as Debts House or Houses, Land or Lands, likewise make and ordain my beloved Friend Gabriel Reed my sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament, made in Callcutta in the Kingdom of Bengall this seventeenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and twenty one.

Sign'd seal'd and deliver'd in the presence of Us (where no stamt paper is to be had).

SAM^{L}. KITE Seal.

Wittness { ANDREW KENEDY, PETER GAYNO, The + mark of William Taylor

1670.—WILL OF ROBERT VICKERS.

Monday, August 21st. The last Will and Testament of Robert Vickers deceas'd was this day brought in and prov'd.

Copy of Robert Vickers' Will.

In the Name of God Amen I Robert Vickers Inhabitant of Culcutta in Bengall . . . . bequeath as followeth.

Imprimis I will and require that all my just Debts and funurall Charges be first and truly paid.

Item I give devise and bequeath unto Gabriel Gonsalves all my Estate both reall and personall, as Goods, Effects, House or Houses due or appertaining unto me whatsoever, and Slaves excepting my following Slaves, Viz^{t}. Beranda aged about fifty years, Adriana about forty years, Seraphina about twenty eight years, and James about thirty years old, whom I hereby give

their freedome, ordaining, constituting and appointing ye above said Gabriel Gonsalves my full and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament, ... this fourth day of July in the year of our Lord God one thousand seven hundred and nineteen.

Signed sealed & acknowledged by the Testator (where no stampt paper is to be had) in presence of Us
WILLIAM BUDDICUM
PATRICK MOYLAN
NATHAN BURDETT.

ROBERT VICKERS (Seal.)

1671.—GROUND RENT FOR SŪTĀNUṬĪ AND CALCUTTA.

Monday, August 21st.

Rugooduray [Raghūdeva Rāe] Crowree [*karoṛī*] demanding three hundred and twenty Rupees, eight Annas Sicca for four months Ground Rent due the first Instant for the part of Soota Loota [Sūtānuṭī] and De [*dih*] Calcutta in the Purgunna [*parganā*] of Amieravad [Amīrābād] in Jaffer Cawn's [Ja'far Khān's] Jagear [*jāgīr*].

AGREED that the President pay three hundred and twenty Madrass rupees, eight Annas, And give the Collector a Rupee as usuall.

1672.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR JULY, 1721.[1]

Abstract of the Muster Roll of Major Richard Hunt's Company for July 1721.

1	One Major	... per m°.	...	65
1	One Lieutenant[2]	...	...	35
2	Two Ensigns[3]	... @ 24	...	48
1	One Sergeant Major[4]	...	...	20
1	One Marshall[5]	...	...	20
9	Nine Serjeants	... @ 20	...	180
9	Nine Corporalls	... @ 13	...	117
6	Six Drummers	...	...	72
2	Two Rounders	... @ 6	...	12
98	Ninety eight European Soldiers	10	...	980
30	Thirty Portuguese	... @ 5	....	150
160		Rupees	...	1699
17	On Command at Cossimbuzar			
177				

Abstract of the Muster Roll of Captain Henry Dallilar's Company for July 1721.

1	One Lieutenant	... per m°.	...	35
2	Two Ensigns	... 24	...	48
8	Eight Serjeants	... 20	...	160
8	Eight Corporalls	... 13	...	104
76	Seventy six European Soldiers	... 10	...	760
4	Four Drummers	... 13	...	52
2	Two Rounders	... 6	...	12
33	Thirty three Portuguese	5	...	165
134		Rupees	...	1336
	On Command at Cossimbuzar.			
1	One Lieutenant			
1	One Serjeant			
1	One Drummer			
14	Fourteen Europeans			
151				

[1] See those for January and June, §§ 1586 and 1635 above.
[2] Captain Nicholas Rowe.
[3] Evert Glandorp and John Wyndham, §§ 1648, 165.
[4] Perhaps George Searle, see § 1902 below.
[5] Perhaps Dittloof Myer, *ib.*

1673.—GROUND RENT FOR GOVINDPUR AND SŪTĀNUṬĪ IN PAIKAN.

Monday, August 28th.

The Hughly Government demanding four months Ground Rent due from the first April last, to the first Inst. for the part of Govindpoor [Govindpur] and Sootalota [Sūtānuṭī] in the Pergunna [*parganā*] of Pican [Paikān], amounting to seventy one Sicca Rupees,

AGREED that the President pay seventy one Madrass Rupees, and give the Collector one rupee as usuall.

1674.—GROUND RENT FOR THE PART OF GOVINDPUR IN CALCUTTA.

Monday, August 28th.

There being also four Months Ground rent due for the part of Govindpoor [Govindpur] in the Purgunna [*parganā*] of Callcutta from the first Aprill last to the first Inst. which is now demanded, and amounts to Rupees Sicca thirty seven, six Annas,

AGREED that the President pay it in Madrass rupees.

1675.—VISITS TO THE NEW NABOB OF PATNA.

Monday, August 28th.

The 26th Inst. receiv'd a Generall Letter from Messrs. Stephenson and Harwood at Pattna dated the 10th advising they have hired the Petre boats, and sent them to Chuprah [Chhaprā] and Singia [Singhiyā] And hope by the middle of next month to see them safe in Futtua [Fatūhā] Harbour. They have provided the quantity of Emmerties [*amirtīs*] and Baftaes [*bāftas*] Order'd, and hope to procure the full quantity of Lackcowries [*lākh-kāuṛīs*]. Cossaes [*khāṣas*] for chints they could by no means procure sufficient at the Aurungs [*aurangs*] on reasonable Terms for reasons mention'd in their letter of the 23rd Aprill last; but have bought a quantity in the City for ready money to supply that defect.

The Dutch and French have vizited the Nabob, and Mr. Stephenson has been very much pressed to do the like which his indisposition has hitherto prevented, but now being pretty well recover'd he will be obliged to do it in eight or ten days; after which they will order the Vackeell [*vakīl*] to sound the Muttsuddies [*mutaṣaddīs*] as to what Terms their Durbar [*darbār*] Affair may be adjusted. The Dutch have made up their business sometime ago, and have agreed to give upward of thirty thousand rupees, a good part of which they have already paid. The French have also made the Nabob a Considerable Present, but as yet no certain Sum for the yearly Pishcash [*peshkash*] is determined.

1676.—ATTEMPT TO GAIN THE USE OF THE MINT AT CASSIMBAZAR.

Monday, August 28th.

The 27th Inst. receiv'd a Generall Letter from Cossimbuzar dated the 24th, advising They have been using their Endeavours with some of the Officers in order to the obtaining the Mint; but are inform'd that while Futtichund [Fath Chand] is so great with the Nabob, they can have no hopes of that Grant, he alone having the sole use of the Mint, nor dare any other Shroff [*ṣarrāf*] or Merchant buy or coin a Rupee's worth of Silver. They have sent down five Maunds of white Lead it not selling there.

1677.—NO NEWS OF ANY EUROPE PACKET.

Monday, August 28th.

By the Supra Cargo of the Ship *Francis* who arriv'd here the 24th Inst. We are inform'd that the Hon. Company's Ship *Monmouth* was arriv'd at Madrass two days before he left that Place, But we have receiv'd no advices from the Governour & Councill there concerning her, nor any Europe Packett or Letter from the Hon. Company, which is a great inconvenience to Us, We being much in Need of the List of Investment sent out this year.

1678.—DESPATCHES BY THE *MONMOUTH* FORWARDED BY THE *HANNOVER*.

Saturday, September 2nd, 7 at night.

Just now by Mr. Thomas Phillips (who was sent down the river some days since for that purpose) We receiv'd the Hon. Companys Packett per Ship *Monmouth* which came from Fort St. George on the Ship *Hannover;* the Papers contain'd in it are Viz.

Duplicate Companys Generall Letter to Bengall per *Stretham* dated 24th February 1720/21 etc. etc.

1679.—DESPATCHES BY THE *STRETHAM*.

Thursday, September 7th.

Late last night arriv'd Capt. Westcott Commander of the *Stretham*, and brought with him the Hon. Companys Packett, containing Companys Generall Letter to Bengall, dated 24th February 1720/21 etc. etc.

1680.—BOATS WITH GOODS FOR PATNA TO BE SENT OFF AT ONCE.

Thursday, September 7th.

It being very late for the Party going to Pattna to fetch down the Salt Petre &c^{a} Goods which we detain'd thus long for the arrivall of an Europe Ship.

Order'd that Mr. William Spencer Import Warehousekeeper do forthwith send down Boats to the *Stretham* for the Broad Cloth,

Perpetuannoes and Rarities which are wanted at that Factory, And that he lade on board good Boats for Pattna the Broad Cloth &c^{a} as near the list received which is as follows, Viz^{t}

A List of Goods fitt for Pattna.

For Sale ...	Broad Cloth Ord^{y} 800 p^{s} Viz^{t}			
	Green	700	800	Pieces.
	Red	100		
	Broad Cloth Aurora		140	D^{o}
	Ditto fine		60	D^{o}
	Broad Cloth Imbost 4 Bales		24	D^{o}
For Presents ...	Velvets red & Green of each about ten yards.			
	Rarities. Telliscopes		6	
	Spying Glasses small		12	
	Multiplying and magnifying D^{o} ...		36	
	Spectacles some green		48	
	Triangle Glasses		12	
	Cutlary Ware. Penknives & Scizars 24 of each if any curious.			
	Sword Blades		12	
	Looking Glasses about 30 Inches		4	
	D^{o} small of 9 to 10 d^{o}		24	
	Fire Arms. Gunns		6	pair.
	Horse Pistolls		6	d^{o}
	Pockett D^{o}		6	d^{o}

and what else may be thought fitt for Presents.

Stationary Ware having none left.

A Box of Physick with Instructions.

Omitted in the above List Viz.

Broad Cloth Scarlett 2 p^{s} fine for Presents

Ditto light colours ten yards each.

1681.—MONEY WANTED AT CASSIMBAZAR AND ANOTHER MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

Saturday, September 9th

The 4th Inst. received a Generall Letter from Cossimbuzar dated the 30th Ult^{o}. They advise that the Merchants are very clamarous for the Ballance due to them on account of Silk deliver'd in Aprill and June amounting to twenty eight thousand, five hundred forty five Rupees, four Annas; And desire that Interest may be allow'd them, they being obliged to pay the Shroffs [*sarrāfs*] one and a half and two p^{r} Cent. per Mensem. There being a vacancey in their Councill, And Messrs Russell and Fazackerley commencing Factors, they desire the Governour & Councill here will order that vacancey to be filled up: Severall Merchants' Boats are

stopp'd at Azemgunge [Ā'ẓamganj] which they cant gett clear'd without paying a Sum to the Muttsuddys [*mutaṣaddīs*] and Droga [*dārōghah*], And therefore leave them to be clear'd by the Pattna Party.

1682.—IMPORT WAREHOUSEKEEPER'S ACCOUNT FOR AUGUST, 1721.

Saturday, September 9th.

Broad Cloth fine by Retale Viz^{t}

Scarlett to Mr. Bonkett	...	2 yds.	12	@	7 rs.	8	per yd.	20	10	
Do. „ Do.	...		4	„	7	8	„	1	14	
Do. „ Doctor Coult	...	5		„	4	11	„	23	7	
Green „ Mr. Greenhill	...	1		„	6		„	6		
										51 15
Broad Cloth Ordinary in Pieces Viz^{t}										
Red „ Capt. Dallibar	1 p^{s}.							...	41	
Broad Cloth Ordinary by Retale Viz^{t}										
Green „ Mr. Greenhill	...	2	8	@	2	4	per yd.	...	5	10
Druggetts by Retale Viz^{t}										
Silk „ Mr. Falconer	...	7	8	@	2	7	„	18 4 6		
Do. „ Mr. Turner	...	7	8	@	2	7	„	18 4 6		
										36 9
Worstead Cambletts by Retale Viz^{t}										
„ Capt. Dallibar		8	2	@	1	9	„		12	3 3
Goods bo^{t}. of the Old Company Viz^{t}										
			sr.		a.					
Red Lead Ramram	...		15	@	8	per Seer			7	8
White Lead Do. Acco^{t}. Comp.			10	@	4	„			2	8
							Rupees	...	157	5 3

1683.—TWO HUNDRED SOLDIERS TO ESCORT THE PATNA BOATS.

Saturday, September 9th.

The Conna Rajah being very strong and Jungulsaw a great Jamidar [*zamīndār*] bordering upon ye Chuckwars [Chakwārs] Countrey having join'd his Forces with Buctoresing's [Bakhtāwar Simha] Rajah of the Chuckwars [Chakwārs], The Gentlemen of Pattna desire a strong Force may be sent not inferiour to what went last Year, wherefore,

AGREED we send two hundred European Soldiers under the command of Major Richard Hunt, a Lieutenant, and two Ensigns &c^{a} inferiour Officers, which is the same Force as went last year, and sufficient to guard the Boats; And that they be dispatch'd with the utmost expedition, the Season being far spent, and the Waters near falling.

Messrs. Loyd and Foster to prepare themselves for Pattna.

ORDER'D that Mr. John Sainsbury Loyd and Mr. John Foster get themselves in a readyness to go to Patna; Mr. Loyd to be Second of Councill there and Mr. Foster to assist as a Writer.

1684.—ARRIVAL OF TWO WRITERS.

Saturday, September 9th. The 8th Inst. arriv'd Mr. William Michell and Edward Marshall Writers.

1685.—SALE OF THE COMPANY'S PEPPER.

Monday, September 11th. We having a large quantity of Pepper by Us which came from Bombay on the Ship *Fancy* and We kept by Us thus long not knowing but the Hon. Company might make a demand of some from hence, but they advising it will not answer, and Our merchants offering to take it at 12rs. 12a. on account for Goods,

AGREED that it be deliver'd them at that Rate.

1686.—SECOND LIST OF INVESTMENT.

Monday, September 11th. We having compared the List of Investment received this year pr. Ship *Stretham* with the List contracted for in the month of Aprill as pr. Consultation of the 10th said month, And finding some Goods in the new List which 'tis too late to Procure this Season, and We being deeply indebted to the Merchants, and without any prospect of a supply of money this Year proportionable to the Amount of Goods order'd

AGREED that We forbear enlarging upon the quantity of fine Goods already bespoken And that We Order Barnarseat [Vārānasī Seṭh] our Broker to contract with the Merchants according to the List enter'd after this Consultation, having given him a Copy of Our Hon. Masters Observations on the severall Goods which he must oblige the Merchants to comply with as near as possible.

1687.—NO MONEY AT CASSIMBAZAR.

Monday, October 2nd. The 26th Ulto received a Generall Letter from Cossembuzar dated the 23rd wherein they desire some money may be sent them for Expences they not being able to procure a rupee there.

They advise that Kinkersein [Kinkar Sen] is Order'd down to Hughly, and has left that Place, the Nabob having given him a Seerpaw [*sar-o-pā*].

1688.—RELEASE OF BOATS AT Ā'ẓAMGANJ.

Monday, October 9th.

The 6th Inst. receiv'd a Generall Letter from Cossembuzar dated the 2nd inclosing a Letter from Mr. John Sainsbury Loyd; And advising that severall Boats which were stopt at Azemgunge [Ā'ẓamganj] were clear'd. They have packt all the Jamawars, and have for some time been sorting Romalls [*rūmāls*] and Taffatys for packing of which they are in want of Wax.

1689.—LOSS OF FIVE BOATS IN A STORM.

Monday, October 9th.

The 6th Inst. we also receiv'd Mr. John Sainsbury Loyd's letter dated the 30th Ultº from Chuprah in the Rajah of Kissnagur's Countrey, advising that the 28th they had a violent Storm of Wind and Rain which began at six in the morning and lasted till six in the evening, in which they lost five of their Soldiers boats, but that all the People were saved, and that he has advanc'd the Soldiers whose boats were lost a rupee each to buy them Provisions; Also that he had dispatcht a Party to Azemgunge [Ā'ẓamganj] to clear what Boats were stopt there that had Our Dusticks [*dastaks*].

1690.—ARRIVAL OF TWO ENGLISH SHIPS AND ONE FRENCH SHIP AT BALASOR.

Monday, October 23rd.

The 16th Inst. receiv'd two Letters from Mr. Cole at Ballasore dated the 12th advising of the arrivall of the Ship *Addison* Captain Hickes from Bencoolen; And that the Ship *William* from Suratt and a French Ship were gone upwards: Also that he has embaled two thousand Peices of Sannoes [*sanahs*], and there are but three Bales of the Dadney [*dādnī*] left, which when he has receiv'd he shall be at a full Stop 'till he can receive further Orders.

1691.—THE BOATS ARRIVE AT RĀJMAḤAL.

Monday, October 23rd.

The 20th Inst. receiv'd a Letter from Mr. Loyd dated the 14th advising that the Pattna boats were all safe arrived at Rajamaul [Rājmaḥal] and were making the best of their way to Connah w[h]ere they expected to arrive in a few days; And that they had deliver'd Amunition to the Soldiers, and Order'd the Officers to their respective Posts, that they may be in a readyness to receive any Enemy, shou'd they meet them sooner than may be expected.

1692.—SALE OF THE COMPANY'S LEAD.

Monday, October 23rd.

Buxichund [Bakhshī Chand] one of our Dadney [*dādnī*] Merchants having offer'd to take off all the Lead receiv'd by the Ship *Stretham*, there being no more in the Place, at the extraordinary rate of seven rupees p^r^ maund, and pay for it in Companys Bill of Debt.

ORDER'D that it be deliver'd him, and charg'd to his Account.

1693.—CAPTAIN WILLIAMS FINED.

Monday, October 23rd.

Captain Williams having wrote the Governour a very insolent Letter in relation to some Sugar (which was suspected he had bought in a Clandestine manner, and was sending aboard his Ship, but was prevented, 'till a further enquiry cou'd be made) to which the Govr return'd an answer, and receiv'd a more arrogant Letter than the former and he being now sent for before us, and persisting obstinately in what he has wrote,

AGREED that he be fined three hundred rupees or sent off the Shoar.

1694.—ARRIVAL OF DESPATCHES BY THE *ADDISON*.

Tuesday, October 24th.

Just now came to hand the Hon. Companys Bengall Packett per Ship *Addison*, and Duplicate of their Packett per *Goodfellow*, containing—

Triplicate Companys Generall Letter to Bengall dated 14th September 1720 sent per *Good Fellow*, etc. etc.

1695.—NEWS OF AN OSTEND SHIP.

Tuesday, October 24th.

By the Ship *Addison* we have also receiv'd a generall Letter from Bencoolen, dated the 14th August 1721, advising that in February last they recover'd that Settlement without fighting, and had a good Agreement with the Natives, and that they hope in a short time to be so well fortified as not to stand in fear of any of the Country Enemies.

They also advise that about the 30th July last arriv'd there a Ship from Ostend, as they beleive to settle there, tho' they pretend to be bound for China; The Capt. of her John Williams is a Fleming, but speaks English, the Cheif Mate Richard Cummins is an Irish-man born at Munster, the first Supra Cargoe a Fleming; the second William Tyler was born at London; They had the Emperours Pass-port for the Ship *Flanders* to trade to India, but the Ship was an English Ship named the *Queen of Peace*, and had made two voyages in the English Companys Service; wherefore they have detain'd the Ship and Cargoe, and the principall of the King of England's Subjects untill they receive Orders from the Hon. Company what to do farther therein.

1696.—REVERSE AT ANJENGO.

Tuesday, October 24th.

By the Ship *Shawallum* we receiv'd a Generall letter from the Governour and Councill at Bombay dated the 8th July importing that their last Advices from Anjengo brought them the melancholy Account of all the Hon. Companys Covenant Servants being cutt off on the 11th Aprill, when they had marched with the best part of their Troops to the number of one hundred and thirty as farr as Attinga to ratifye the late treaty, and pay the annuall Tribute to the Queen which was due for seven years past; Those remaining in the Fort, who were one Captain, one Lieutenant, one Ensign and about forty Soldiers, give assurance that they are resolv'd to defend the Hon. Companys Estate there to the utmost extremity; Wherefore, the Governour and Councill of Bombay request we will give directions to our early Shipping to touch there, and afford them what assistance they are able, there being no possibility of sending them any recruits from Bombay 'till the breaking up of the Monsoon. They also advise us that they have receiv'd informations of three Muscatt Ships going into Gombroon road with an intent to seize the Hon. Company's Brigantine and carry her into Muscatt, but our People seeing them stand into the Road, haul'd close in Shoar, and prevented the Arrabs attempting her, so that they return'd without firing a Shott; But 'tis reported they have orders to attack and carry to Muscatt the first English Ship they meet with: This misunderstanding they suppose arrises from an Engagement which happen'd by an Arrab Vessell attacking the Hon. Companys Brigantine in her passage to Persia, who after four hours fight was taken, & Our People kept her five weeks in possession, but for want of water were obliged to let her go.

1697.—LETTER FROM MADRAS BY THE *MONMOUTH*.

Tuesday, October 31st.

The 26th Inst. arriv'd this place Captain Reginald Kemeys Commander of the Ship *Monmouth*, and deliver'd us a Generall Letter from the Hon. the Govr. and Councill of Fort St. George dated ye 10th Septr. with Duplicate of the 8th August. They advise us that the Hon. Companys Ship *Stretham* touch'd there the 20th August, they demanded Captain Westcotts reasons for stopping there, being bound to Bengall, to which he return'd answer in writing, that he only call'd there to get some intelligence concerning the Pyrates in order to secure his passage the better to the Bay; he left that place after two days stay.

They detain'd the *Momouth* so long in expectation of the arrivall of Ships *Malbro'* and *Heathcott* from England and *Dartmouth* from Bencoolen, but being disappointed in all those Ships, they thought it not proper to detain her any longer, and therefore forwarded her without Delay, having laden on her a quantity of red-wood on the Hon. Companys Account amounting to seven hundred twelve Pagodas, five Fanams, sixty eight Cash.

1698.—VIOLENCE OF THE *FAUJDÁR* OF BALASOR.

Tuesday, October 31st.

The 26th Inst. receiv'd a Letter from Mr. Humfreys Cole at Ballasore dated the 20th advising that a large Ship came into the Road that day and proceeded upwards without a Sloop; Also that the Phousdar [*faujdār*] of that Place had seiz'd the Broker, and threatned to whip him, but that after he had kept him a day and a night, he the next day releas'd him, and bid him tell his Master he wanted nothing but his Friendship; the Nabob of Cuttack who is the Phousdar's [*faujdār's*] Father, will be at Ballasore shortly, who Mr. Cole beleives will insist on his visiting the Phousdar [*faujdār*] which he waits for leave to do.

1699.—DESPATCH OF GOODS FROM CASSIMBAZAR.

Tuesday, October 31st.

The 29th Inst. came to hand a Generall Letter from Cossembuzar dated the 23rd advising they had that day laden on board six Boats Account the Hon. Company sixteen Chests of Jamawars [*jāmahwārs*] qt. two thousand pieces, and thirty Chests plain Taffatys under the care of a Corporall a Soldier and six Peons, the Manjees [*mānjhi's*] receipts for which were enclos'd, and the Invoice will be sent overland in a few days.

1700.—SCARCITY OF MONEY AT PATNA.

Tuesday, October 31st.

The 30th Inst. came to hand a Letter from Messrs. Stephenson and Harwood at Pattna dated 15th Septr. advising of the great Scarcity of Money occasioned by the Nabob's extortions, and that the Exchange to Agra being 6½ pr. Cent has encouraged the Shroffs [*ṣarrāfs*] to employ their Money that way, and not to let any out at Interest; but that they have prevaled with Kurruckseen and Kissenchund [Kishṇchand] to let them have money at 4 pr. Cent Exchange, And had drawn two Bills on us accordingly, one for seven thousand rupees, payable to Mier Massook [Mīr Ma'shūq], the other for three thousand rupees payable to Bengalinaut [Bangālī Nāth], which Sums they were under a necessity to take to pay for a quantity of Petre and Chint bought for ready money.

1701.—PROGRESS OF THE BOATS TO PATNA.

Tuesday, October 31st.

The 30th Inst. we received a letter from Mr. John Sainsbury Loyd, advising the loaden Boats were safe arriv'd within one Coarse [*kōs*] of Beerpoor [Bīrpūr], having past the Rajah of Conna's Country and met with no opposition, the Rajah being drove up to the Mountains by his kinsman; They have lost one of their Soldiers boats in which were two sick men who are drowned.

1702.—INTEREST ALLOWED TO MERCHANTS.

Tuesday, October 31st.

We having advanc'd the Merchants but Twenty pr. Cent on their first Dadney [*dādnī*] Contracts, and it being very late in the year, and the arrivall of the other Europe Ships very uncertain, the Merchants are pressing for Bills at Interest to the Amount of thirty pr. Cent more on their Contracts, which will make fifty pr. Cent in all,

AGREED that Bills be given them accordingly Interest to commence from this Day.

1703.—ARRIVAL OF JOHN FORRESTER, WRITER.

Tuesday, October 31st.

The 28th Inst. arriv'd here Mr. John Forrester Writer.

1704.—TROUBLES AND HINDRANCES AT CASSIMBAZAR.

Thursday, November 9th.

The 4th Inst. we receiv'd a Generall Letter from Mr. Crisp &c. at Cossembuzar dated 30th October inclosing Invoice for forty six Chests of Jamwars [*jāmah-wārs*] and plain Taffatys laden on board six boats the 23rd Ulto being Account the Hon. Company; They have ready sorted three thousand three hundred pieces of Handkerchiefs, which being near the quantity order'd they have deferr'd paying till the remainder comes in, which they are in hopes will be in a few days, when they will send them down with a parcell of Gurrahs [*gāṛhās*]. . . . . .

The two Chests of Treasure sent them they have been obliged to sell for 207rs. 4an. Sicca for 240 Sicca wt. having kept it sometime in hopes of a better price, but Futtichund [Fatḥ Chand] having the entire use of the Mint, no other Shroff [*ṣarrāf*] dare buy an ounce of Silver, and he will give no more than the 'forementioned price; The Bullion came out very short in weight, occasion'd by weighing it with new Siccaes of the 3rd year of Mahmud Shaw [Muḥammad Shāh] which are just come out; the small parcell in Chest No. 332 mention'd 10 dwt. worse they were obliged to sell it

at 204 Siccaes for 250 Sicca w^t. The Government is at present very troublesome, and have stop'd severall boats at Azemgunge [Ā'zamganj], Barragurrea, and other Chowkeys [*chaukis*] thereabouts; they have tryed all means possible for their clearance but to no effect; Atcharge [Āchārya] the Putcherra[1] Droga [*dārōghah*] &c[a] being so very extravagant in their Demands that they could by no means comply with them, wherefore, it growing late in the season, and they finding little likelyhood of getting them clear'd, the Nabob not appearing in Publick as usuall nor no admittance to him, they agreed to send Capt. Borlase, a Sarjeant, Corporall, Drummer and twenty Soldiers to clear them, since which Captain Borlase advises that he had clear'd severall boats from Barragurrea, and was proceeding to another Chowkey [*chauki*]; So that they are in hopes he will clear all that are at present stopt. The French have met with abundance of trouble here, and have not effected their business with the Government, nor sent any Goods away this Season; Monsr. L'Empereur their Cheif is recall'd to Hughly, and Monsr. Mannick sent up to try if he can accomplish their Affairs.

1705.—PROGRAMME FOR THE SHIPPING.

Thursday, November 9th. It being now late in the Season and high time to resolve how to dispose of the Shipping arriv'd with us;

AGREED We return the *Monmouth* to Fort S^t. George with part of her Cargoe for Europe, & filled up with Salt petre and Stores for the use of Madrass; And that We load the *Addison* and *Stretham* as soon as possibly directly for England.

1706.—WILL OF JOHN MUSTON.

Thursday, November 9th. The last Will and Testament of John Muston deceas'd was now brought in and prov'd.

Copy of John Muston's Will.

In the Name of God Amen I John Muston Marriner and an Inhabitant Callcutta in the Kingdom of Bengall . . . . ordaine this my last Will and Testament . . . . and all my Estate as it hath pleas'd God to bless me with I give and bequeath unto my dear beloved Wife Anne Muston; But in case of the death of the said Anne Muston without Issue, I do then give and bequeath the half of my Estate unto my good Friend John Coales and the other half unto my two Trustees equally between them; all the Slaves and Slave Wenches I do give 'em their freedom and ten rupees each: I do appoint Messrs. Thomas Cooke and Thos. Coales to be

[1] See pp. 246, 252 above.

my true Trustees to Act and do in form and manner as shall be most convenient in my Affairs for the good and Interest of my dear Wife; But after my death if She have a mind to alter my condition, I desire it may be done with Mrs. Shaw's consent (if she is living) I do hereby make and appoint this to be my last Will and Testament, allowing no former Wills to be in force: In Wittness wherefore I have set my hand this 22 day of August one thousand seven hundred and nineteen.

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of us
Wm. Buddicum.
Jos: Ricketts.

John Muston Seal.

Messrs. Thomas Coales and Thomas Cooke refusing to act as Trustees to the last Will and Testament of John Muston deceas'd The said John Muston's Widow sent it in by John Sugar who produc'd it this day, And William Buddicum one of the Wittnesses appearing before Us the President and Councill in Bengall for Affairs of the Hon. United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies this 9th day of November 1721, in the Consultation room in Fort William, and being sworn on the Holy Evangelists declares upon Oath that he saw the Testator who was then in his perfect Sences sign seal and declare this to be his last Will and Testament And that he saw Joseph Ricketts who is since dead, sign as a Wittness.

1707.—THE NABOB CUTTACK WILL NOT COME TO BALASOR.

Thursday, November 16th.

The 11th Inst. receiv'd a Letter from Mr. Humffrey Cole at Ballasore dated ye 6th advising that the Nabob of Cuttack has deferr'd his design'd Journey that way, but that he has recall'd his Son from Ballasore, and another of his Relations is dayly expected in his place, whom he intends to vizitt upon his arrivall.

1708.—COLE REQUESTS LEAVE TO COME TO CALCUTTA.

Thursday, November 16th.

Mr. Cole's affairs in England being confus'd upon account of his Father's death, he has desired leave to come up to Callcutta to gett some Papers wittnessed by some Persons who are going to England.

1709.—GROUND GRANTED TO CAPTAIN LAIDMAGER.

Thursday, November 16th.

There being a vacant Spot of Ground near the River's Side, which is at present of little or no use, and harbours a great deal of Filth and nastiness, And

Captain Laidmager desiring that he may be permitted to build brick Godowns upon it,

AGREED that the Ground be granted him, And that a Lease be given him for it.

1710.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR OCTOBER, 1721.[1]

Thursday, November 16th.

Abstract of the Muster Roll of Major Richard Hunt's Company for the month of October 1721.

On Command to Pattna.

1	Major, one @ Rs.	65 per Mo	65
1	Lieutenant, one	35	35
1	Ensign, one	24	24
1	Serjeant Major, one	20	20
7	Serjeants, seven	20	140
5	Corporalls, five	13	65
4	Drummers, four	13	52
97	Europeans, ninety seven	... 10	970
2	Rounders, two	6	12
14	Portugueeze, fourteen	... 5	70
133	—		
		Rupees	1453

On Command at Cossembuzar.

1	Serjeant one
5	Europeans five.
9	Portugueeze.
15	—

Remaining in Garrison.

1	Ensign one @ Rs.	24 per Mo	24
2	Serjeants two	20	40
1	Marshall on	20	20
2	Corporalls two	13	26
2	Drummers two		20
35	Europeans thirty five	... 10	350
1	Rounder one	6	6
15	Portugueeze fifteen	5	75
59	—		
		Rupees	561
207	Totall		

Abstract of the Muster Roll of Captain Henry Dallibar's Company for October 1721

1	Lieutenant one @ Rs.	35 per Mo	35
1	Ensign one	24	24
4	Serjents four	20	80
2	Corporalls two	13	26
2	Drummers two		20
44	Europeans forty four	10	440
1	Rounder one	6	6
19	Portugueeze nineteen	5	95
74	—		
		Rupees	726

On Command to Pattna.

1	Ensign one
6	Serjeants six
6	Corporalls six
4	Drummers four
69	Europeans sixty nine
1	Rounder one
10	Portugueeze ten
97	—

On Command at Cossembuzar.

1	Lieutenant one
1	Drummer one
10	Europeans ten
5	Portugueeze five
17	—
198	Totall[2]

[1] See those for July, § 1672.

[2] Should be 188.

1711.—ZAMĪNDĀRĪ ACCOUNT, FOR OCTOBER 1721.[1]

Monday, November 20th.

Ground Rent	1163	14	6
Grain on Cowries [*kauṛīs*]	52	11	3
Duty on Grain	52	11	
Mangon [*mangan*] ...	667	5	3
Moldarry [*mūldārī*] ...	7	4	
Towbuzzarry [*tahbāzārī*]	216	9	6
Weighmen	133	11	9
Wood	17	5	
Pots	1	2	
Caulkers	35	2	6
Banyans [*banyās*] ...	4	4	
Brammins [*Brahmans*] ...	2	4	6
Ferry boats	7	4	6
Cotton beaters	1	13	3
Hogs	1	1	9
Butty [*bheti*]	90		
Vermilion	21	1	6
Conjee [*kānji*]		9	
Markett	345	6	3
Delolly [*dallāli*] of Do. ...	2	13	
Suba Bazar [Sobhā Bāzār]	51	13	9
Begum Bazar [Begam Bāzār]	25	9	3
Jean Bazar [Jān Bāzār] ...	25	1	3
Sale of Houses	117	3	3
Salammy [*salāmī*] ...	203	5	3
Recovering Debts ...	33		
Peons fees	163	2	6
Carried over ...	3443	2	6

Brought over ...	3443	2	6
Marriages	1	11	6
Fines	182	9	6
Bang [*bhang*]	49	3	6
Gusorah [*guzrān*] a duty paid by Lodgers who pay no Ground Rent ...	300	10	9
Sale of Slaves	6	9	6
Coura Pauncha, a Duty paid for Oxen with burdens	111		9
Duty on Arrack	56	8	3
Fines	28	10	9
Duty on Rice	74	6	9
Sale of Houses of People run away	71	14	
Cattwally [*kotwāli*] ...	89	12	9
Sale of Paddy [*pādi*] and Flax which grew on the Companys spare Ground ...	89	9	9
A Dustore [*dasturi*] of the Rent Gatherers at making up the years Account ..	70		
Rent receiv'd for a small Bungalo of ye Companys	2	1	
Sale of Fetters	3	11	3
	4532	1	9[2]
Deduct for Charges ...	308		3
Ballance paid into Cash Rupees	4224	1	6

1712.—NAISH, CHIEF MATE OF THE *STRETHAM*, CASHIERED.

Monday, November 20th.

Captain George Westcott Commander of Ship *Stretham* making a Complaint of Mr Naish his Cheif Mate's behaviour in severall times refusing his Command, insulting him publickly aboard, and in the road of Madrass struck him; And since his arrivall in this river in presence of our Master [of] Attendance who went to survey the Ship, behaved himself in the like insolent manner, getting drunk, and refusing to take charge of the Ship upon the Commanders return; And he now being sent for before us, and offering nothing substantiall in his own defence, it appears to us that the Ship and the Hon. Companys Effects cannot be secure with such a refractory Officer on board, wherefore

AGREED he be turn'd out, and not permitted to take his passage to England on that Ship.

[1] See explanations at §§ 1090, 1750.

[2] If the figures are correct, the total should be Rs. 4532-1-6.

1713.—THE SILK INVESTMENT AT CASSIMBAZAR.

Monday, November 27th.

This day came to hand a Generall Letter from Mr. Edward Crisp &c[a] at Cossimbuzar dated the 21th Inst. advising of the receipt of our Letter to them of the 14th inclosing Invoice for the ten Chests of Duccatoons sent them, about the price of which they had another Dispute, Futtichund offering but 2rs. 7an. 3p. per ps. at which rate they were unwilling to lett them go, having always sold for 2rs. 7an. 6p. each, but were obliged at last to divide the Difference and sell 'em for 2rs. 7an. 4½ p. pr. Duccatoon, for the Merchants will not take Bullion, Futtichund [Fath Chand] extorting it from them at a much less rate. They observe the additionall order for November bund Silk, the last years being all bought up, and this years not coming to perfection 'till the 20th December which will be so short a time that it will be impossible to get near the quantity Order'd, They will endeavour to get forty or fifty Bales to be in Calcutta by the last of January. The sorting of the Silk is very tedious, and they are apprehensive they must send it unsorted; As the Silk will be fresh, and the particular Orders they shall give about winding it off; They are in hopes it will be very good (The Dusuttys [*dusūtis*] and additionall orders for 36 Covits[1] Gurrahs [*gāṛhās*] will be impossible to be comply'd with:) They have already sent all the Jamawars, Strip'd Taffatys and Romalls [*rūmāls*], the remainder of their plain Taffatys and Gurrahs [*gāṛhās*] are coming in. They have return'd what Goods were the least spotted or ordinary, so that they are apprehensive they shall come short in the Taffatys and Gurrahs [*gāṛhās*]. The 21st Inst. Captain Borlase return'd, who acquaints them that he had clear'd between thirty and forty Boates from Azemgunge [Á'ẓamganj] and other Chowkeys [*chaukis*] thereabouts which had the Companys Dusticks [*dastaks*].

1714.—PRESENT TO MR. RICHARD HARVEY.

Monday, November 27th.

Mr. Richard Harvey having read the Service in the Church twelve months, since the death of Mr. Thomlinson,

AGREED that the Governour present him with four hundred Sicca Rupees the usuall Gratuity.

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[1] *Covit* or *covitt*, a measure of length, probably from the Portuguese *covado*, a cubit or ell. Yule, *Hobson-Jobson*, 2nd edition, p. 268.

1715.—DISTRUST OF MR. PYKE AT MADRAS.

Monday, December 4th. The 28th Ult° came to hand a Generall Letter from Fort St. George dated 7th October advising of the receipt of Our Letter to them p^r. *George* Brigantine inclosing Invoice of Stores &c^a laden on board her; And that they are now dispatching her to the West Coast with a Supra Viser to inspect M^r. Pykes management, having great reason to suspect it. They are dispatching the Hon. Company's Ship *King George*, and are prepared to fill up three or four other Ships, having a good Stock of Goods on hand.

1716.—DESPATCH OF THE BOATS FROM PATNA.

Monday, December 4th. The 1st Inst. receiv'd a generall Letter from M^r. Edward Stephenson &c^a at Pattna dated the 20th Ultimo advising that they had that day dispatch'd the Fleet of Boats which were to proceed the next morning with sundry Goods on board Acco^t the Hon. Company, the Manjees [*mānjhi's*] receipts for which are deliver'd to Major Hunt, to whom they have also deliver'd one thousand Siccaes of Rajamaull [Rājmahal] to defray Expences in the way down, and have order'd him as soon as he has pass'd Connah to proceed with the light Boats leaving Captain Rowe with a sufficient Guard to follow with the heavy boats.

1717.—ARRIVAL OF THE BOATS AT GANGAPRASĀD.

Monday, December 4th. The 1st Inst. receiv'd a Letter from Major Hunt dated the 26th Ult° advising of the safe arrivall of the boats at Gungerpersaud [Gangaprasād], after having had a Skirmish at a Town called Bearpoore [Bīrpūr], where they took two Prisoners, and were oblig'd to burn part of the Town for their security, also that he had deliver'd Captain Rowe five hundred sicca rupees designing to leave him and proceed with the light Boats.

1718.—ARRIVAL OF THE BOATS AT MURCHA.

Monday, December 4th. The 3rd Inst. receiv'd a Letter from Captain Rowe dated the 29th Ult° advising of his safe arrivall at Meroha [Murcha] with the loaded Boats, where he finds but 2¼ Covits of water, and some of the Boats draw 4 Covits; And that he will use all imaginable expedition to lighten them, One of the large Boats has been ashoar and proves very leaky, so that he fears he shall be oblig'd to unload and leave her behind.

1719.—BOTTOMRY BILLS ON THE *MONMOUTH* GRANTED TO FEAKE AND FALCONER.

Monday, December 4th.

The Hon. Samuel Feake Esqr and Mr Thomas Falconer having paid into the Hon. Comps. Cash four thousand eight hundred Rupees on Account of M^{r}. William Jennings, and desiring that Bottom-Ree Bills may be given upon the bottom of Ship *Monmouth* at three Shillings one penny per Rupee payable to Mr William Jennings or Order; Which being conformable to a late Order receiv'd from the Hon. Court of Directors,

AGREED that Bottom-Ree Bills be given them.

1720.—GROUND RENT FOR CALCUTTA AND SŪTĀNUṬĪ IN AMIRĀBĀD.

Saturday, December 9th.

The Hughly Goverument demanding four months Ground rent from the 1st August to ye last of November for De [*dih*] Callcutta and Sootaloota [Sūtānuṭī] in the Purgunah [*parganā*] of Amieravad [Amirābād] amounting to three hundred twenty five Rupees Sicca,

AGREED that ye President pay it and present ye Collector one Rupee.

1721.—PHILLIPS TO DESPATCH THE *MONMOUTH*.

Monday, December 11th.

The Generall Letter to be sent p^{r} Ship *Monmouth* being sign'd, and all Papers ready for her dispatch,

ORDER'D that Mr Thomas Phillips do go down on board her, and gett the Bills of Lading sign'd, and deliver Captain Kemys his Dispatches.

1722.—DISTURBANCES IN THE COUNTRY.

Friday, December 15th.

This day came to hand a Generall Letter from Messrs. Edward Stephenson &c^{a} at Pattna dated ye 2nd Inst. advising that Major Hunt had wrote them concerning the Skirmish he had at Beerpore [Bīrpūr], in which some People were kill'd, and which they apprehend will occasion a Complaint to the Nabob, and be aggravated to the highest Degree, but that they will endeavour to make the Nabob sencible of the necessity our People were under of acting as they did. Their Nabob has according to his promise been very moderate with relation to ye Piscash [*peshkash*], they having prevail'd with him to accept of a secrett Bribe of four thousand rupees himself, and to agree to three thousand rupees for the Nabob Nuzuratt Jarr Cawn [Nuṣrat Yār Khān], which last is paid publickly and will stand upon Record. To accomodate matters thus they were oblig'd to give the Nabob's Brother one thousand

rupees, and his Son with many other Mutsuddy's [*mutaṣaddīs*] more or less to stop their mouths, and prevent their divulging what was paid to Cawnzama Cawn [Khān Zamān Khān]. With their next they will send a particular Account of what has been paid to each of the Mutsuddys [*mutaṣaddīs*].

1723.—DIFFICULTIES IN PROVIDING THE INVESTMENT.

December 15th. The great scarcity of money in Pattna has made Exchange rise to 4½ p^r^ Cent at which rate they have been oblig'd to take up money, and are to pay 6 if the money be not paid when due, the Shroffs [*ṣarrāfs*] complaining of their not getting their money in the limited time, and therefore would not part with a farthing but upon those terms, as the Season is pretty farr advanc'd they are in hourly expectation of the order of Investment ; The Dutch have begun already to give out Dadney [*dādnī*] for their Petre, and if they be not supply'd with money to do the like, they fear they shall lose some of their ablest Assamys [*asāmīs*]. The great scarcity of money occasions Trade to be very dull and makes them doubt the Broad Cloth will meet with neither a quick nor a good markett: Inclos'd they have sent . . . . Mr Loyd's Account of way Charges up, the Ballance being three thousand three hundred ninety two rupees Sicca which he has paid into their Cash, one thousand of which they deliver'd Major Hunt, and the remainder they paid the Soldiers for Dyett money, and to the Manjees [*mānjhis*] of the Boats that the Hon. Company might be no looser by ye Batta, the five thousand Siccaes with batta [*baṭṭa*] amounting to five thousand six hundred twenty five rupees paid Mr Loyd they have given Account Current Calcutta Credit for, and design to charge ye expences under the proper heads there. The Invoice for what sent down by the Fleet, amounting to two hundred thirty eight thousand two hundred fifty nine rupees, ten Aṇṇas, nine Pyce they have enclos'd. The piece Goods are they beleive cheaper than the last years, but the Petre is not so good as they beleive it wou'd have been, if the French had not gone up, for on their arrivall they bought all they cou'd lay hands on, and giving three rupees and a quarter p^r^ Maund tempted their and ye Dutch Assamys [*asāmīs*] to sell them under hand in other Peoples names, which obliged them to take worse from those they had contracted with, than otherwise they wou'd have done, and were they to remain, they beleive they shou'd hardly get any body to contract with them under, if at three rupees p^r^ Maund ; They have a

large boat there laden, with which they hear they will return as soon as they have adjusted the Durbar [*darbār*] Affair, and got the Nabob's Dustick [*dastak*].

1724.—HOPE OF BETTER THINGS IN THE NEW VIZIER.

December 15th. They hear that Nazamullmullick [Niẓāmu-l-Mulk] has march'd from Duccan [the Dakhin], and is now pretty near Dilly, And many are of opinion there will be a great change on the arrivall of that great Omrah [*umarā*], and that he will be made Vizier. He is one, tho' a Tartar of a very good character, and 'tis beleiv'd if the management of the State is committed to him, he will reform what is amiss, and have all Orders from Court punctually regarded which have been much slighted.[1]

1725.—THE DESPATCH OF THE *MONMOUTH*.

Friday, December 15th. The 14th Inst. Mr. Thomas Phillips return'd, having dispatcht the Ship *Monmouth* the 13th Inst. at Channell Creek.

1726.—ARRIVAL OF CAPTAIN ROWE WITH SALT PETRE BOATS.

Friday, December 15th. The 13th Inst. at night arriv'd here Captain Rowe with the Salt petre boats from Pattna, which being mett by the Flood about three Miles above this Port were obliged to lay too on the other Side of the River, where toward morning the Tide falling away, one of the Petre boats with twelve hundred twenty five Bags of Salt petre grounded upon a Sunk tree, on which she stranded and filled so fast, that notwithstanding all the assistance of the Soldiers and Dandys [*ḍāṇḍis*], could save no more than two hundred seventy eight bags, all the rest being nine hundred forty seven bags were intirely wash'd out. We seiz'd the Manjee [*mānjhi*] but upon strict enquiry cannot find this Loss has happen'd from any neglect or carelessness of his, but purely by misfortune of the Sunk Stump of a Tree which lay undiscover'd under water.

1727.—ARRIVAL OF COLE FROM BALASOR.

Monday, December 18th. Last night arriv'd here the *London* Sloop in which came Mr. Humfreys Cole who brought with him twenty two Bales of Sannoes [*sanahs*] Account the Hon. Company.

[1] Niẓāmu-l-Mulk started from Aurangābād in October 1721; he reached Āgrah on January 5, 1722 O.S. The office of *wazir* was conferred on him in an audience at Dihlī on February 9, 1722 O.S.

1723.—IMPORT WAREHOUSEKEEPER'S ACCOUNT FOR NOVEMBER, 1721.

Thursday, December 21st.

Broad Cloth fine by Retale, Vizt.					
Medley	22 yards	...	...	185 9 3	
Scarlett	39 . 11	...	...	217 14 9	
Black	7.	...	...	60 2 6	
Green	5.	...	...	30	
	73 . 11 yds.				493 10 6
	yds.				
Broad Cloth Aurora by retale 3 @ 3 . 6 per yd.					10 2
Velvetts and Silks, Viz.					
	y. n.				
Silks	21 . 8	...	...	524 2 6	
	rs.				
Velvet Crimson 8 @ 10 . 5 per yd.			...	5 2 6	
	n. r. p.				529 5
Perpetuannoes fine by retale 11 @ 1--6 per yd.					12 6
	y. n.				
Druggetts by retale 60 . 8		...	...		174 10 6
	y. n.				
Worstead Camblets by Retale 24 . 4			...		54 15 9
	lb. oz. an. n.				
Flint Ware 5 . 4 @ 13 . 6 per lb.			...		4 7
Cutlary Ware Vizt					
		r. a.			
Penknifs glass handles	3 @ 2 . 11 ea.		...	8 1	
do. Ivory handles	7	1 . 6	...	9 10	
Scizars 15 pr.		1 . 8	...	22 8	
					40 3
Rarities Vizt					
Essence Cases	1	...	...	9 12	
		a.			
Spectacles	6 pr. @ 10 each.		...	3 12	
Cases for Do.	3 „ 7 „		...	1 5	
					14 13
Looking Glasses 12	...	...	...		314 2
			s. a.		
Goods bot. of ye Old Comp. Red Lead 13 @ 8					
per Seer ...	...	...	...		6 8
	sr. a.				
White Lead 22 @ 4 pr Seer		...	...		5 8
				Rupees ...	1649 1 3

1729.—GROUND RENT FOR GOVINDPUR.

Thursday, December 21st. The Hughly Government demanding four months Ground-rent due for the Part of Govindpoore [Govindpur] in the Purgunna [*pargaṇā*] of Pican [Paikān] amounting to seventy Sicca rupees, and four months Ground-rent for that Part of Govindpore [Govindpur] in the Purgunna [*pargaṇā*] of Callcutta amounting to thirty Sicca rupees, both Sums being due from ye 1st September to ye 1st January[1] and amounts to one hundred Sicca rupees,

AGREED the President pay one hundred Madrass rupees.

1730.—WAGES OF THE RĀJMAHAL PEON.

Thursday, December 21st. There being due to Morelly [Murli] Peon at Rajamall [Rājmahal] twelve months wages from 1st December 1720 to 1st D^o^. 1721 at two rupees eight Annas per month, the Sum of thirty rupees,

AGREED the President pay the same.

1731.—DESPATCHES ARRIVE BY THE *MARLBOROUGH*.

Monday, December 25th. Just now by a Cossid [*qāṣid*] from Madrass came to hand the Hon. Companys Packett per Ship *Marlborough* enclosing their . . . . . Generall Letter to Bengall dated 26th Aprill 1721 etc. etc.

1732.—EIGHTY CHESTS OF TREASURE REACH MADRAS.

Monday, December 25th. By this Cossid [*qāṣid*] [who brought *Marlborough's* Packet] we also receiv'd two Letters from Fort St. George, one dated the 29th October and the other dated the 6th November, in the former they advise Us that on the 15th October arriv'd there the Hon. Companys Ships *Heathcott* and *Marlborough*, which brought a Commission appointing M^r^. Elwick Govern^r^ of that Place. They acquaint us that they have receiv'd eighty Chests of Treasure, of which they are order'd to send us thirty, and as many more as they can spare. The Weather having prov'd very bad ever since the Ship's arrivall there, they have not been able to unloade the Stores consign'd to that Port, neither have they determin'd whether they shall send either of them here it being so late in the Season. They also advise they have goods sufficient to load Ships *Heathcott* and *Marlborough* early in January for England, & beleive they shall have a Surplus to fill up a Ship

[1] Incorrect. They were due from August 1 to December 1.

from the Bay if we half load her, and are in hopes by the beginning of February if the *Dartmouth* & *Frances* shou'd arrive there to dispatch them. They have enclos'd a List of Stores and Wares which they desire may be comply'd with. In the latter they advise of Ship *Dartmouths* arrivall there the 2nd November and that they design by the first safe conveyance to this Port to send us seventy or eighty chests of Silver.

1733.—MUSTER ROLLS FOR NOVEMBER, 1721.[1]

Thursday, January 4th. 1721/2

Abstract of Major Richard Hunt's Muster Roll for the Month November 1721.

On Command to Pattna.

1	Major one			65	
1	Lieutenant one			35	
1	Ensign one			24	
1	Serjeant Major one			20	
7	Serjeants seven	ea.	20	140	
5	Corporalls five		13	65	
4	Drummers four		13	52	
97	Europeans ninety seven		10	970	
2	Rounders two		6	12	
14	Portugueeze fourteen		5	70	
133					1453

Remaining in Garrison.

1	Ensign one			24	
2	Serjeants two		20	40	
1	Marshall one			20	
3	Corporalls three		13	39	
2	Drummers two		10	20	
2	Govrs. Guard two		10	20	
28	Europeans twenty eight		10	280	
1	Rounder one			6	
14	Portugueeze fourteen		5	70	
54					519
			Rupees	...	1972

On Command at Cossembuzar.

1	Serjeant one
5	Europeans five
9	Portugueeze nine
15	
202	

[1] See those for October, § 1710.

Abstract of Captain Henry Dallibar's Muster Roll for November 1721.

	1 Lieutenant one ...	...	...	35	
	1 Ensign one ...	...	...	24	
	4 Serjeants four ...	...	ea. 20	80	
	2 Corporalls two ...	...	... 13	26	
	2 Drummers two ...	...	... 10	20	
	2 Govrs. Guard two	...	... 10	20	
	40 Europeans forty	...	... 10	400	
	1 Rounder one ...	...	...	6	
72	19 Portugueeze nineteen	...	... 5	95	706
	On Command to Pattna.				
	1 Ensign one ...	...	...	24	
	6 Serjeants six ...	...	ea. 20	120	
	6 Corporalls six ...	...	... 13	78	
	4 Drummers four	...	...	44	
	69 Europeans sixty nine	...	... 10	690	
	1 Rounder one ...	...	... 6	6	
97	10 Portugueeze ten	...	... 5	50	1012
			Rupees ...		1718

On Command at Cossembuzar.

1 Lieutenant one
1 Drummer one
12 Europeans twelve
5 Portugueeze five

19

188 390 Men Totall.

1734.—FOUR CHESTS OF TAFFATIES DAMAGED.

Monday, January 8th.

The 5th Inst. we receiv'd two Letters from Mr. Edward Crisp &c^{a} Councill at Cossembuzar dated the 28th and 31st Ult^{o}, the former advising that they had dispatch'd four Woollocks with twenty six Chests Taffatys amounting to thirty three thousand nine hundred and twenty nine Rupees, three Annas: And the latter that on the 30th they receiv'd the unfortunate news that one of the Boats had damag'd four Chests, occasion'd by some of the Dandys [*ḍāṇḍis*] jumping ashoar from the Side of the Boats which so keel'd her that she took in water, on receipt of which news they imediately dispatch'd Mr. Charles Bedford with People and necessarys to open the Chests, and dry what Taffatys might have receiv'd damage, a particular Accoount of which they will send when Mr. Bedford arrives with them.

1735.—REPORT UPON THE DAMAGED CHESTS.

Monday, January 8th.

On the same day receiv'd a Letter from Mr. Charles Bedford at Comlagur [Kamlāghar] dated the 1st Inst. advising that Mr. Crisp &c. Councill at Cossembuzar hearing that one of the Hon. Companys boats with six Chests of Taffatys which they had dispatch'd on the 28th Ultº had met with a misfortune in pulling over the Sands, sent him to inspect the Chests four of which Viz. (three Chests mark'd B Nº. 45, 46, 47 and one Chest C Nº. 50) he found to be very much damaged so s hou'd stay a day there to dry them, the remaining two Chests [which] he found to be in a very good condition, he forwarded to us under the Care of a Portugueeze Soldier, likewise the other three Boats.

1736.—THE EFFECTS OF THREE DECEASED PERSONS.

Monday, January 8th.

Mr. John Eyre Buxey [*bakhshi*] now brought in Account Current of Jeremiah Courtney deceas'd Also Accounts Currents and Accounts Outcry of Robert Haws, and Henry Cockrom deceas'd, the severall Ballances being paid into Cash.

The Estate of Jeremiah Courtney Deceas'd.

Dr.			Cr.		
	rs.		By Cash receiv'd of Capt. Henry Cave ...	4616	6
To Commission on 4616-6 at 5 pr. Cent ...	230	13			
To Ballance paid into the Hon. Compa. Cash ...	4385	9			
Rupees ...	4616	6			

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The Estate of Robert Hawyes deceas'd.

Dr.				Cr.			
To Cash pd. Mr. Plumb ...	16	14		By Cash recd. of Capt. Gill	2520		
Do. pd. Mr. Williamson a respondentia Bond on Marygold 2000 @ 26 pr. Cent.	2520			Do. 9½ Surrat Rups. at 10 pr. Cent ...	10	7	3
Do. pd. Mr White prin. 299rs. @ 26 pr. Cent. Respondentia ...	377			Do. 320oz. 7 . 21 Mex. Doll. wt. 8544rs. @ 208 for 240 is Rups. Sicca 743 . -. 3			
Commission on 3381 15 6 at 5 pr. ct.	169	1	6	Batta 12½ pr. ct. 92 . 14 . -	835	14	3
Ballance pd. into Cash	299			1 Hossannah Rupee ...	1	1	
				Amot. of Accot. Sale ...	14	9	
Rupees ...	3381	15	6	Rupees ...	3381	15	6

The Estate of Henry Cockrom deceas'd.

Dr.				Cr.			
To Cash paid George Gun ...	...	13	3 3	By Cash found in his Chest & Escrutore 264 Madrs. 290.6.6 25 Arcott 27.4.			
Cooleys bringing in his Things ...	...		14				
Cash pd. Robt. Lavers as per his bill	...	44	5	3½ Checqueens @ 3 14. ea.			
Do. Francis Vanes Do.		30	4 6	By Cash recd. from Capt. Jones ...	...		
Funurall Charges	...	49	12	By Do from worshpll. Jno. Deane ...	...		
Cash pd. Capt. Jones as per his Bill	...	32	3	By Amot. of his Outcry Accot.			
do. Mr. Clare for regis: his Will ...	...	3	14				
Commission 5 pr. ct. on 923.9.6	...	46	2 9				
Ballance paid into Cash		702	15				
Rupees	...	923	9 6	Rupees	...		

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1737.—ABOUT CASSIMBAZAR PIECE GOODS AND SILK.

Monday, January 15th.

The 14th Inst. receiv'd a Letter from Mr. Edward Cri[illegible] Councill at Cossembuzar dated the 10th a[illegible] that the 9th they dispatcht five boats with thirty six bales of Gurrahs [*gāṛhās*] amounting to rupees five thousand four hundred twenty seven, six Annas, And one Chest of Taffatys which receiv'd no damage by the accident taken notice of in our former Consultation. They likewise advise that they have agreed for two hundred Maunds of Novr. Bund Silk at four Rupees two Annas per Seer A not to be sorted, for which they kept a reserve out of the money We sent them, which they have given [in] Dadney [*dādnī*] to the Merchants; They advise the Silk is now coming in and if We approve of it, will send it down, if not will deferr prizing it and keep it for the ensuing Season; They also advise that in two or three days they will send the remainder of the Gurrahs [*gāṛhās*].

1738.—REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF SOLDIERS.

Monday, January 15th.

Muster Rolls of both Companys of Soldiers for the month of December muster'd and paid by Mr. John [illegible] Buxey [*bakhshī*] were now laid before

Order'd that Major Richard Hunt's Company be reduced [illegible] hundred fifteen Europeans and twenty five black Portuguee[illegible]

Captain Henry Dallibar's to one hundred Europeans and twenty five black Portugueeze, including Corporalls, Drummers and Rounders.

1739.—WILL OF CAPTAIN JAMES WHITE.

Friday, January 19th. The last Will and Testament of Captain James White deceas'd was now produc'd by Messrs. Thomas Coales and Richard Eyre the Trustees thereof.

Copy of James White's Will.

In the name of God Amen the twenty fourth day of February and in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred twenty and twenty one; I James White Marriner (and Master of the Brigantine *Triplicaine*) .... appoint this my last Will and Testament. Imprimis I will that all my just Debts and funurall Charges be first paid.

Item I will and bequeath unto my dear and wellbeloved Daughter Susanna White the Sum of fifty Pounds sterling money of Great Brittain.

Item I will and bequeath unto my dear and wellbeloved Whife Sarah White (and her Heirs) the remainder of my Estate, appointing her to be my sole Heir and Executrix; And that my last and present Will may be truly executed, I have appointed my very good Friends Messrs. Thomas Coales & Richard Eyre (Inhabitants of Calcutta) to be my Trustees. In Wittness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the Day & Date as above.

Signed, Sealed, Delivered & Declared where no stampt paper is to be had in the presence of us

JAMES WHITE (Seal.)

CHARLES RUSSELL
ROBT. LAVERS
THOS. UNWIN

1740.—BOTTOMRY BILLS GIVEN TO JOHN DEANE.

Monday, January 22nd. Mr. John Deane having paid into Cash the sum of seven thousand and five hundred rupees for which he desires 1st 2nd 3rd and 4th Bottom-Ree Bills on the Hon. The Court of Directors, the Risque being to run on the bottom of Ship *Addison*,

ORDER'D that Bills be accordingly given him.

1741.—EFFECTS OF RICHARD WALLIS DECEASED.

Monday, January 22nd. Captain Richard Wallis Master of the *Success* Brigantine dying in the Voyage from Tonqueen, and having made no Will, And his Wife and Daughter being both dead,

ORDER'D that Mr John Eyre Buxey [*bakhshi*] receive his Effects and sell them at Outcry, And pay the Ballance (if any arrises) into the Company's Cash.

1742.—HUGH BARKER'S ACCOUNT WITH JAMES WILLIAMSON DE[illegible]

Monday, January 22nd.

Mr. Thomas Falconer now brought in Mr. Hugh Barker [illegible] with Mr. James Williamson deceas'd [illegible] whereof Rupees two thousand sixty [illegible] Annas, eight Pyce having been remitted to Pattna [illegible] Exchange.

Mr. Hugh Barker in Accot. with Mr. Jas. Williamson [illegible]

1719 Decr.

Dr.				Cr.			
To Cash paid him ...	1499	8	9	By Ballance of an Accot. Current dated ye 3rd Decr. 1719 ...	[illegible]		
To Do. paid Capt. Hill on his Accot.	55			By his Dividend of the *Shawallums* Goods left at Cochin & Madrass	[illegible]		
To Do. paid his half of what charg'd him & Mr. Browne Accot. the Compy.	3930	7	3	By Cash recd. for Chint sold 1773 ps. @ 5½ pr. ps. 6205. 8. Dustore 96. 15. 6	[illegible]		
To Do. paid for his passage	96			By Barnarseseat for Plate sold him pz. 421. 8. 9 Sicca wt. @ 16 Ans. pr. Sicca wt. ...	[illegible]		
To Do. paid Futtichund & Diaram for 1800 ps. Pattna Chint amot. to Sic. Rs. 4,237. 12. ½ & 100 Abassys pr. 52¼ Sic. Rs. is 8110½ Abassys @ 60 rs. per 100 Abassys	4866	4	9	By the produce of his Concern in the *Sarah*	2600	[illegible]	[illegible]
To Do. paid his Note payable to Robt. Hill ...	44			By the produce of an Adventure with Mr. Redshaw which went on the *George* to Judda	1296	7	[illegible]
To a Bill of Exchange on Robt. Williamson Esqr. for £50 ...	400			By his Dividend of the *Shawallums* Goods that went on the *George* to Judda ...	649	[illegible]	[illegible]
To Cash pd. the Manjees of ye boats he carried with him	6	9	9				
	10897	14	6	Rupees	1296[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
To Ballance remitted by Bill of Exchange to Pattna by Order of ye Govr. & Councill ...	2067	9	8				
Rupees	12965	8	2				

1743.—WILL OF WILLIAM DEEPLOWE.

Monday, January 22nd. The last Will and Testament of William Deeplowe deceas'd was produced by Robert Fitzgerald the Trustee thereof, and prov'd.

Copy of William Deeplowe's Will.

In the Name of God Amen, I William Deeplowe Factor in the Service of the Right Hon. East India Company . . . . bequeath in manner and form as followeth Viz.

Item I give and bequeath to Mr. James Mall my Silver Watch.

Item I give and bequeath to Mr. Robert Fitzgerald all the rest residue of my Estate that I now enjoy making him my sole Executor to this my last Will and Testament, Given under my hand and seal (where no stampt paper is to be had) on board Ship *Boone* Captain John Standard Commander this 23rd day of July Anno Domini 1721

Witness Present

Alexr. Kennedy
William Poorll.

Wm. Deeplowe. (Seal.)

APPENDICES

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[By the Editor.]

I. GOVERNOR FEAKE AND HIS FAMILY.[1]

The Feake family is said to be an ancient one, and the name, I believe, is to be traced in the records of the old city companies. In the *Surrey Visitation* of 1623 there is mention of an Edward Feake at "Godestone," and in 1667 we can trace a Samuel Feake, who is probably the father of the Governor of Fort William. After his retirement to England, Samuel Feake purchased "Sheering Hall Farm," the New House Farm, and the Manor of Sheering Hall in County Essex, and in 1725 added a new front to the Old House, which was hereafter known as "Darrington House." It is related that the property had been purchased in 1723 by Robert Chester, one of the Directors of the bubble South Sea Company, and that, when the property was declared by Act of Parliament to be forfeited, Samuel Feake was enabled to purchase a house he had coveted since the days of his boyhood.

Feake's marriage with Ann Hampton of the Hamptons of Hampden has been mentioned in the Introduction. The marriage cannot be traced in either the register compiled by Archdeacon Hyde from the records preserved at the India Office, nor in Mrs. Penny's *Marriages at Fort St. George, Madras.* It may have taken place at Cossimbazar. Of Captain Thomas Newland, Ann Hampton's first husband, I can find no mention: nor can trace the burial of his daughter, aged six, in Archdeacon Hyde's register. The births of Samuel Feake's children have been dealt with in the Introduction to the present work.

After his retirement, Samuel Feake became a member of the Court of Directors. His name occurs eighth on the list of the Directors who in 1752 appointed J. Z. Holwell, then in England, to "the post of Zemindar, and 12th in Council at Fort William."

The elder daughter, Ann Charlotte, at the age of 65, married her gardener John Cruse in 1783, but in her will she retained the name of

[1] Based on information kindly supplied by Miss L. M. Anstey.

Feake. The family chronicler[1] records that of this romance, "very little love and a great deal of roguery would be shown in the course of that story if I gave it in detail." By her will Mrs. Cruse, or Mrs. Cruse Feake, left the half of the Darrington property that had come to her to the children of her husband, "should he marry a respectable person with not less than £3,000." The chronicler adds "he did marry in 1813 one Rebecca Smith, but it is very doubtful whether her fortune of £3,000 was not arranged by her relatives in a colourable manner." Two daughters were born to Mr. John Cruse by this second marriage, and, although the name Feake was adopted as a prenomen by their respective husbands, nothing prospered. Feake Martin died insolvent in 1877, and George Feake Pavit, after some grandeur at the Hall, "was obliged to give it up and go out as a bailiff."

The other moiety of the Essex property had passed to Mary, the youngest daughter of the Governor. She died on 14th April 1803, and her estate, in which she had intended her sister (deceased in 1800) to have a life interest, passed one half to a Mrs. Hollingberry for her life and then to her daughter Mrs. Glyn, and the other half to Colonel Glyn for his life and afterwards to Mrs. Glyn.

The inscription on the monument to Samuel Feake and his wife in Henham Church runs as follows :—

Sacred to the Memory of
SAMUEL FEAKE, Esq.,
formerly President and Governor of
Fort William, Calcutta, Bengal,
in the East Indies,
and late Chairman of the
Honorable East India Company,
descended from the ancient family of
FEAKE
in the County of Surrey.
He was Lord of the Manor
and also the Manor of
Chickney Rectory of Pledgeden Commons,
Sheering and Harlow, all in this County.
He was endowed with all the Graces that adorn the
Gentleman and Christian.

[1] C. W F. Glyn, Esq.

His impartial deportment to all mankind
and instructive conversation and address
gained the esteem of all that knew him.
He married Anne, Daughter and Heir of
John Hampton of Hampden,
of Fort St. George, Madras,
(Relict of Captain Thomas Newland,
by whom she had one daughter, Anne,
who died in India, aged 6 years).

She died on board the Devonshire East Indiaman
on her passage to England, 10th May 1723, aged 34,
about seven leagues north latitude.

He died in London, 16th June 1757, aged 75, and was
buried in a vault near this marble.

Having had issue by his said wife,
5 sons and 2 daughters, *viz.*:
1st, Samuel Feake, of Darrington House in
the Parish of Sheering, Esquire,
who died unmarried 30th October 1774, aged 63,
and was buried with his father.
2nd, Thomas Feake, died in India, aged 6 months.
3rd, Thomas Feake, Esq., Chief of Dacca, in the
East Indies, 7th October 1751.
4th, Charles Feake, M.D., Physician to Guys Hospital, London,
died unmarried 2nd August 1762, buried with his father.
5th, Nathaniel Feake, died in India,
aged about 6 years.

Anne Charlotte (wife of Jonathan Cruse of
Darrington House, Esquire), and
Mary Feake, are the only surviving issue of
the above Governor Feake.

Anne Charlotte Cruse,
as a testimony of duty and affection
for her parents, erected this
Monument to their Memory, MDCCXC.

The monument to Samuel Feake is on the north wall of the chancel outside the altar rails. Above the inscription there is a modelled swan

and white ship with the motto *Dieu est la Supreme.* Above are three hatchments. On the south wall, a monument commemorates Mary Feake :—

Sacred
to the Memory of MARY FEAKE,
Daughter and Co-heiress of Samuel Feake, Esquire,
President and Governor of
Fort William, Calcutta, Bengal.

She died April 14th, 1803, aged 82 years,
and was buried in the family vault.

This Tablet is erected by
Henrietta Elizabeth Sackville Glyn,
Relict of Colonel Thomas Glyn,
as a sincere testimony
of her gratitude and esteem.

The tomb of Thomas Feake is to be found in the picturesque graveyard at Dacca. It bears the inscription :—

Here lies the body of
THOMAS FEAKE,
late Chief of Dacca,
Obit 7th October 1750,
Æt., 32.

There are tablets to the memory of John and Mary Feake (1748) in the pavement of the old Portuguese Church in the neighbourhood of Dacca. It may be conjectured that these two persons were children of Thomas Feake, Chief of Dacca. In certain District Records, I cannot at present trace, I find a Collector of either Dinajpur or Rangpur, about the year 1784, contributing to the support of an indigent person of the name of Feake.

SAMUEL HARWOOD, mentioned in this volume, died in 1722, and left the whole of his estate to Thomas, second son of Governor Feake. Charles Hampton, whom we find at Cossimbazar with Feake in 1717, arrived as a writer in the Company's Service in 1709, and was probably a near relation of Mrs. Feake.

II. SHORT BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES.

BARNAVILL, CAPTAIN ANTHONY. Colonel Davidson Love tells us that Antony Coyle de Barnaval, of Irish descent, was in 1715 Captain of the ship *Colloway*, trading between Madras and Manila. He married Antonia de Carvallo.

CAVE, CAPTAIN HENRY, Master of Attendance in 1724. Burial Register, June 8th, 1727. Court to Bengal, 21st February 1729: "We take notice by your 129th paragraph of the death of Captain Henry Cave, your former Gunner and Master of Attendance, and that you have appointed Captain Thomas Snow to succeed to him. We are glad to hear the good character you give him, and therefore confirm your choice. We are sorry to hear the bad circumstances Captain Cave died in, and are surprised to hear his debts amount to so considerable a sum as upwards of one hundred thousand rupees." The Captain married on June 19th, 1723, Mrs. Elizabeth Fagnal, who on 18th November 1736, married William Archdeacon, and on 26th January 1739, Jonathan Ranson.

COLLET, JOSEPH. In 1711 Joseph Collet had been appointed Deputy Governor of Fort Marlborough (Bencoolen). He was transferred to Madras as 2nd of Council in August 1716. On 18th January 1720 he made over charge to Francis Hastings, and sailed for England on the *King William*, Captain James Winter. *See* Davidson Love: *Vestiges of Old Madras*, Vol. II, p. 152, *et seq.*

EYRE, JOHN. Eyre died on the 20th April 1722, and John Stackhouse succeeded him as Bakhshi. His first marriage, 31st March 1715, was to a widow Mrs. Philadelphia Fleetwood, who died at Ballasor and was buried on the 3rd November 1715. For the Fleetwood family consult Davidson Love's *Vestiges of Old Madras*. On February 10th, 1721, Eyre married Martha Rainbow, perhaps a daughter of the Senior Pilot, John Rainbow, who was buried 22nd December 1722. The second Mrs. Eyre was buried on 17th March 1728.

FALCONER, THOMAS, was born in Scotland on the 23rd March 1698. His father was John Falconer,[1] "of the family of Falconer of Phesdo,"

[1] Entrusted with the private cypher of James II, in whose service he died at St. Germain en Laye, 1699.

who, by his marriage (at Edinburgh, 14th February 1681) with Mary, daughter of John Dalmahoy (second son of Sir John Dalmahoy) had four sons—(1) John, died young; (2) James (Lieutenant R. N.); (3) Thomas, the subject of this note, and (4) William, Recorder of Chester.[1] Mrs. Falconer having left her husband, on account of a difference of religion, brought her three sons (James, Thomas, and William) to Chester, where she had relatives. Her mother was Rachael, daughter of Thomas Wilbraham, Esq., of Nantwich, County Cheshire.

On December 8th, 1708, when only in his eleventh year, Thomas Falconer was appointed[2] a writer in the East India Company, and his securities were Ralph and Stephen Wilbraham, of Dorfold, Cheshire.

He arrived at Fort William in January 1710, and was stationed in the Secretary's office,[3] at a salary of £5 per annum.[4] A report concerning the factors and writers of the Company sent to the Court of Directors (December 1712) says "can complain of none for ill-behaviour or immorality: all behaved well; *witness three persons:* Crisp, Stevenson, and Falconer."[5]

In the present volume, Falconer appears as Junior Merchant in 1719. On 25th June he is appointed 2nd at Patna, under Edward Edward Stephenson, who seems to have arrived in Bengal nearly two months after Falconer, but counted as his senior, and on the 2nd February 1714 had been, by order of the Court, advanced one whole year in the service. In August 1720, Stephenson and Falconer, both at that time at Patna, obtained rapid promotion, for William Spencer (arrived 1699) and John Eyre (arrived 1701) had been "objected against" by the Court of Directors; Samuel Brown dismissed, and Cotesworth declared incompetent by the Governor and Council. Consequently Falconer, at the age of twenty-three, became 9th of Council. In December 1720 he becomes Bakhshi. In 1722 he is Export Warehousekeeper. In that year Henry Frankland and John Surman returned to Bengal as 3rd and 4th in Council, and in August we find a "general exchange of offices":—

Mr. John Deane, Accountant.
Mr. Henry Frankland, Export Warehousekeeper.
Mr. John Surman, Import Warehousekeeper.

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[1] Burke: *Landed Gentry* under Falconer of Bath.
[2] Court Minutes.
[3] Wilson: *Annals*, Vol. I, p. 326.
[4] *Ibid.* Vol. II, Pt. I, p. 93.
[5] *Ibid.* Vol. II, Pt. I, p. 379.

THOMAS FALCONER.

Mr. Thomas Falconer, Buxey (bakhshi) and Storehouse-keeper.
Mr. John Stackhouse, Jemindar (Zamindar).
Mr. Michael Cotesworth, Secretary.

In the year 1725-26 Falconer was Church Warden of St. Anne's. He returned to England in 1729, and died in the year following at Warwick Court, Holborn. The arms of his family ("a hawk's head issuing out of a man's heart proper, between three mullets azure") are said to be still faintly visible on his tomb. The inscription on his tomb in the new burial ground of St. George's, Brunswick Square, ran as follows :—

> "In this vault lies the body of Thomas Falconer, Esq., descended from an ancient and honourable family of the same name in Scotland, who after having been employed 18 years by the Honourable East India Company at Bengal, returned to England in 1729 with the just reward of his extensive skill and honest industry in commerce ; and established a good name and a very ample fortune, with that rare facility (*sic*) and largeness of mind that knew the pleasure of possessing only from the power it gave him of dispensing, of being generous to his acquaintances, grateful to his friends, and charitable to the poor ; with the same sound Church of England principles in religion that he took with him from home, and in which he died on the 25th of January 1729, in the 35th year of his age. To the memory of her much beloved son, his mother erected this monument."[1]

In his will, dated 21st January 1729, Falconer left £10,000 to his mother, £6,000 (at 2 shillings and 6 pence per rupee) to the Honourable United Company of Merchants trading to the East Indies, £500 to his god-daughter, Mary Feake, daughter of Samuel Feake, £2,000 in charity to the poor, £250 for the benefit of his servant Antelope, "whom I brought from India," and who is to be brought up in the Christian Faith.

The will is printed in *Bengal, Past and Present*, Vol. V, p. 49, and also the undertaker's bill amounting to £141-14-11. Some of the items in the latter are curious, *e.g.*, the sixty-four men who carried "wax branch" lights in the funeral procession.

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[1] *Bengal, Past and Present.* Vol. V. Article: "Thomas Falconer of Bengal." By J. P. E. Falconer.

GREENSLATE, CAPTAIN. On 8th July 1724, Samuel Greenslate married Amie Tullie at Fort St. George.

GYFFORD, WILLIAM. The story of the massacre at Anjengo in 1721 is told by Colonel Davidson Love (*Vestiges of Old Madras*, Vol. II, p. 214) "Gyfford, who probably belonged to the family which had given Madras a Governor in the preceding century, set out on the 11th April, with his factors and the greater part of the garrison, for Attingah to make the usual presents to the queen. The party was treacherously attacked by the natives. Gyfford himself was murdered in a most barbarous manner and only a few sorely wounded survivors crawled back to tell the tale. Gunner Ince, though not the senior officer, assumed command of the remnant of the garrison, sent Mrs. Gyfford and the other women on board a country vessel, and, with the aid of reinforcements from Callicut, bravely sustained a siege which was not raised till the following October. ..... Mrs. Katharine Gyfford, who, though only twenty-six years of age, had already experienced the tender mercies of Angria and had been three times a widow, was held responsible for her late husband's debts to the Company. She proceeded to Bengal 'to live with her relations,' and there met Commodore Matthews, to whom she appealed for protection against the claims of the Bombay Government. Matthews carried her to Bombay in the *Lyon*, and afterwards to England, when cross suits were filed between her and the Company. At a later date Mrs. Gyfford returned to Madras, where she died in 1745." Colonel Davidson Love tells us that the lady was a daughter of Captain Gerrard Cooke, Gunner of Fort William, and had come out to India when 14 years old with her parents. *See* Biddulph: *The Pirates of Malabar and an Englishwoman in India* (1907). Some papers connected with Matthews and Mrs. Gyfford appear in the fragment of Dr. Wilson's fourth volume of the *Annals*. She was a sister of Thomas Cooke.

HALL, NALHANIEL. His tomb is to be fonnd in the Dacca burial-ground. The inscription runs:—

NATHANIEL HALL,
Factor in the service of ye
Hon'ble E. E. I. Comp^{a}.
Obit, 13th Sept. 1725,
Æt. 24.

JONES, CAPTAIN JOHN. On 20th January 1719, Bengal writes to the Court (Letters Received, Vol. X): "Captain Henry Harnett,

who was Head Gunner of this Fort, and Master of Attendance, departing this life the 30th November, that place being vacant, and Captain John Jones who has been Commander of several good ships for these many years in India, always having behaved himself to the satisfaction of his employers, offering his service, we took it into consideration, and the 30th December agreed he should succeed in that post being as fit a man as we think can be met with, and we hope his behaviour will be such as your Honours may approve of our choice." Mrs. Penny (*Marriages at Fort St. George, Madras*, p. 16) shows the marriage on October 23rd, 1710, of "John Jones and Margery Crook." Her tombstone is one of those which have been embedded in the steps of the Charnock Mausoleum. The inscription runs :—

Here lyeth interred the body of
MARGERY JONES,
Daughter of Mr. George Croke, Merchant,
formerly of Council in this place.
She was marry'd in Fort St. George, to
Captain John Jones, the 23rd of October, Anno 1711
who afterward being appointed
Master Attendant for this settlement.
She died here the 25th April 1723,
Aged 30 Years, 1 Day.

In 1689, at the time when the English had been driven from Bengal, Vizagapatam was seized by the Mughal Forces, and the Chief and John Staples, Messrs. Hall and Croke were killed. The lady was perhaps the daughter of the Mr. Crooke killed at Vizagapatam. Mrs. Penny (p. 6) identifies the George Crooke who married Lucy Field on 25th September 1689 with George Croke, and says that his son was Edward Crook, whose daughter, the famous Begum Johnson, is so famous in Calcutta history. On Mrs. Johnson's tomb it is stated that "Edward Crook" was "Governor of Fort St. David." A list of Madras servants of 1754 shows that he was in that year aged 62. On September 6th, 1748, the burial is recorded of Miss Grace Crook of Fort St. David.

OADHAM, MR. A civil servant of the name of Catesbey Oadham appears in Colonel Davidson Love's *Vestiges of Old Madras*, where it is stated (Vol. II, p. 187) he "came out as Assay Master in 1715, married Mary English in 1717, and was subsequently appointed Sea Customer He died in 1723, and his tombstone is by St. Mary's Church."

SA'ĀDTULLAH KHĀN confirmed as Nawab of the Carnatic in 1713. The Surman Mission had succeeded in obtaining from the Emperor Furrukhsiyar the request of the Madras Council for certain villages, the possession of which had been resumed by the Nawab's Government in 1711. Sa'ādutullah demanded that the farmān should be produced for his inspection, but Governor Collet, rather than let the document pass out of his hands, determined to capture the villages by force, which was done in September 1717. Sa'ādtullah Khān died in 1732.

WESTCOTT, CAPTAIN GEORGE. Colonel Davidson Love (*Op. Cit.*, Vol. II, p. 323), shows that the Captain was the father of Foss Westcott, who joined the Madras Civil Service in 1740, and was one of the Commissioners in 1749, received Madras back from the French. George, a son of Foss by his wife (*née* Ann Pye), was Senior Member of the Madras Board of Revenue and died at Madras in 1809 at the age of 61. A son of the last, also George, was in 1807 a Captain in the 67th Regiment at Trichinopoly. Brooke Foss Westcott, the distinguished theologian, and Bishop of Durham, is a descendant of Captain George Westcott, and the family is at the present day represented in India by the Bishops of Lucknow and Chota Nagpur, sons of Bishop B. F. Westcott of Durham.

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